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DOMESTIC PAPERS.

JAMES I.

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Jan. 1. Hampton Court. 1. J. Tonstall to Carleton. Thanks for kindness to his cousin Williamson. The Queen's health improves; she heard the Bp. of London on Christmas Day. The Prince and Buckingham have been to see her, and the King comes twice a week. The Countess of Derby is the only lady constantly with her.

Jan. 2. London. 2. Chamberlain to the Same. The King has been to visit the Queen at Hampton Court; danger is apprehended; the courtiers already plot for the leases of her lands, the keeping of Somerset House, &c. The tide turns in favour of Sir Edw. Coke; he is missed from the Exchequer Chamber, and wanted in the Star Chamber, to supply the Lord Chancellor's place when he is ill. The instructions given to the States' Commissioners are so short that the business is not likely to be done. Sir Jerome Horsey has married Lord North's eldest sister. The King has asked a loan of 10,000*l.* from the Merchant Adventurers. He has made seventeen Knights, men of no note. Sir Valentine Knightley dead. Tobie Matthew commanded to leave the Kingdom. Lord Rich's two ships lost in the East Indies. Mr. Wake's conduct much approved.

Jan. 2. Licence to Gilbert Lee to transport sheepskins, for thirty years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 268.]

Jan. 7. 3. Sir Wm. Smithe to Carleton. Thanks for care of his son. Many of the merchant strangers have had writs, but there is not so much expectation of their overthrow as before. The States' Commissioners were feasted by the King at the Prince's masque. Sir Thos. Roe gone to Persia to settle the trade in silks.

Jan. 8. Whitehall. 4. John Levingston to the Same. Thanks for kindness to his brother. Buckingham made a Marquis. It is thought strange amongst the old lords that he should take precedence of them.

Jan. 8. Whitehall. 5. The King to Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Lionel Cranfield, and others of the East India Company. Appoints them Commissioners, in conjunction with several of the Council, to consult with the Commissioners of the States, on the settlement of the differences with Holland, relative to the East India trade.

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Jan. 9. 6. Thos. Locke to Carleton. A passport is procured for the Chiaus. Some money is assigned to Ambassadors for their arrears.

Jan. 9. London. 7. Chamberlain to the Same. The King gone to Theobalds, Royston, and Newmarket, without appointing a Lord Treasurer; he means to bring the Earl of Suffolk to trial, before he displaces him. Sir Edw. Coke's preferment is at a stand. Lady Hatton gave a great supper and a play to the whole house of Howards and to Buckingham, who she wished to cast an eye on Lady Diana Cecil, as the King desires him to marry. Masque at Court on Twelfth Night, performed by the Prince, Buckingham, and others. Coke is one of those appointed to treat with the States Commissioners, but they will not understand his law French. The Queen is improving. Sir Lewis Stukeley is committed to the Gatehouse for clipping gold; nobody pities him, but as Paul Tomson was pardoned, he may be so too, &c.

Jan. 9. Salisbury House. 8. G. Gerrard to the Same. The Christmas is dull, owing to the absence of the Queen through illness. The quarrel between Sir Hen. Rich and Sir Edw. Villiers settled by the Lords Marshall. The King blames Sir Henry, because, as having charge of his guard, he should keep the peace of his house. A vessel from Surat brings news from Sir Thos. Roe in Persia. Coryat has died in those parts, and left enough written to fill the world with new relations. Sir Lewis Stukeley is close prisoner; all his instruments, &c. for clipping gold are found in his chamber, in the King's house at Whitehall.

Jan. 9. London. 9. Sir Edw. Harwood to the Same. The cause of the quarrel between Rich and Villiers was some remarks made by Rich against Buckingham and Lord Hay; they were prevented fighting, and Rich was committed to his chamber, but liberated for the masque, which was dull. Lord Wallingford has surrendered the Mastership of the Wards; Sir Thos. Edmondes refused it, because its powers are much lessened, but Sir Lionel Cranfield stepped into it. There was hesitation in the Council about treating with the Holland Commissioners, because they were not authorized to treat about the Scotch fishing, but it was settled by the boldness of one of the Council. The Lord Chief Justice spoken of for the Treasurership.

Jan. 9. London. 10. Licence from Lord Zouch to Rich. de Rice, of Treport, to fish on the English coasts. With note of renewal on behalf of Nicholaus Capitrell. Latin.

Jan. 9. London. 11, 12. Similar licences to Wm. Perry, of Treport, with renewal for Peter Loisell, and to Jaques de Ver, with renewal for Wm. Perry. Latin.

Jan. 10. 13. Answer of the merchants trading to Russia to the King of Denmark's letter sent to the King. Hoped they had satisfied the King of Denmark about their right to Greenland and the whale fishery; but, as the Crowns are nearly allied, will accord to the Danes alone the right of fishing in those parts, if they will not bring their produce into England, &c.

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Jan. 10? 14. Answer of the Russia Company to the statements of the Hollanders. Their claim to the prior discovery of Greenland is false. The contract made with them by the English in 1614, is invalid, being but for one year, and obtained by force. Their complaints of wrongs are unjust, since they were not attacked till they had been expressly warned not to intrude upon those regions. The spoiling of the English in 1618 was done without authority or provocation.

Jan. 10? 15. Copy of part of the above.

Jan. 10. Royston. 16. Petition of Paul Vinion to the King, for permission to work up the stock of materials for glass-making, which he had laid in before the King's proclamation of restraint. With reference to the Council.

Jan. 10? 17. Petition of the Same to the Council, to the same effect; offers to pay Sir Robt. Mansell for the permission, or to sell him his materials.

Jan. 10? 18. Sir Robt. Mansell to the Same. Shows that Paul Vinion's petition for licence to make green drinking-glasses would greatly prejudice him in his patent for the sole manufacture of glass, and is founded on fallacious statements, &c.

Jan.? 19. Reply, by Paul Vinion, to the above statements of Sir Robt. Mansell, and again urging the request contained in the petitions.

Jan. 10? 20. Reasons addressed by the Same to Lady Mansell and Capt. Bacon, deputies in Sir Robt. Mansell's absence, in favour of his petition, and offering several modes of compensation to Mansell.

Jan. 11. Release to Geo. Marquis of Buckingham, of divers sums of money delivered to him in private and otherwise. [*Grant Bk., p.* 242.]

Jan. 11. Special licence for making swords, rapiers, and the like, for twenty-one years. [*Ibid., p.* 269.]

Jan. 12. Whitehall. Sir Robt. Naunton to Carleton. Description of the fire at the new Banquetting House at Whitehall, occasioned by some one carrying a candle under the scaffolding. [*Holl. Corresp., Jan.* 12, 1619.]

Jan. 12. Whitehall. 21. Sir Wm. Balfour to the Same. Buckingham is so much pleased with the picture given him by Carleton that he declares he will not part with it, even to the King; he is disposed to favour Carleton, and wonders he has not heard from him. The States' Commissioners are beginning the treaty.

Jan. 13. London. 22. Matthew de Quester to the Same. Sends packets. Thanks for favours to his servant, Paul Gannen.

Jan. 13. Middlesex. 23. Certificate that Augustus Cæsar, of the Inner Temple, has taken the Oath of Allegiance before Sir Art. Gorges and Fras. Williamson, Justices of the Peace for Middlesex.

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Jan. 14. Strand. 24. Certificate by Sir Wm. Slingsby, Justice of the Peace, that Ralph Bagnall has taken the Oath of Allegiance before him.

Jan. 14. 25. Certificate of the White Bakers' Company, that they have no freehold lands, save their common hall, which they hold from the King.

Jan. 15. 26. Certificate of the Parish Clerks' Company, that they have no lands chargeable, as being given for superstitious uses.

Jan. 15? 27. Certificate of the Clothworkers' Company, that of their lands chargeable to the King's patentee, some are sold and others employed in an almshouse, for the sake of which they are willing to compound.

Jan. 15? 28. Certificate of the Cooks' Company, that they possess no lands given for superstitious uses.

Jan. 15? 29. Note by the Cordwainers' Company, that the land given to them for superstitious uses is devoted to the maintenance of the poor, in whose behalf they beg the King's favour.

Jan. 15? 30. Duplicate of the above.

Jan. 15? 31. Certificate, by Robt. Heath [Recorder of London], that the Cutlers' Company hold no land subject to the composition for superstitious uses.

Jan. 15? 32. Note that the Goldsmiths' Company have lands, value 35*l.* 2*s.* 4*d.* per ann., chargeable by the Statute of Chantries, for which they desire favour in the general composition.

Jan. 15? 33. Certificate, by Robt. Heath, that all the land left to the Ironmongers' Company for superstitious uses is devoted to charitable purposes, and therefore not liable to the composition.

Jan. 15? 34. Certificate of the Leathersellers' Company, that they are not chargeable to the King's patentee, the lands supposed to be liable being long since sold.

Jan. 15? 35. Note of such lands belonging to the Merchant Tailors' Company, as they fear may be liable to Mr. Murray's grant.

Jan. 15? 36. Note that the Pewterers' Company acknowledge sixty years' arrears for revenues of lands, value 110*l.* per ann., devised to them for superstitious uses; with remark by Robt. Heath, that only 9*s.* 10*d.* of the same was given for superstitious uses, and is therefore forfeit.

Jan. 15? 37. Note of certain lands left to the Saddlers' Company for superstitious uses; with remark by Heath, that they are not chargeable, for reasons alleged.

Jan? 38. Statement that, on inspection of the evidences of the London Companies, upon the lands bequeathed to them for superstitous uses, 12,000*l.* is the total value of the arrears that can be claimed by the King, for which the Attorney General demands a composition of

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6,000*l.*, to be paid by the several companies in proportions stated, in which it is hoped the parishes and other companies will assist, and raise enough to ease the present charge.

Jan. 15. 39. Examination of Ralph Raisin, of London. Knows Lord Eure's two sons, who were lately at school in London, and their servant, but knows not where they now are, unless it be in Kent.

Jan. 15. Salisbury House. 40. G. Gerrard to Carleton. Sir Lionel Cranfield still holds the Wardrobe, and has the Mastership of the Wards. Fire at Whitehall Banquetting House; all the pilferers in the town got in, and stole many of the King's things; the Signet Office lost most of their papers.

Jan. 16. London. 41. Chamberlain to the Same. Particulars of the fire at the Banquetting House, Whitehall; the papers of the Signet, Privy Seal and Council Offices, burnt. Information preferred in the Star Chamber Court against the Earl of Suffolk, his lady, and Sir John Bingley; if they submit, the King will deal gently with them, otherwise the proofs are strong against them.

Jan. 16. Grant to John Williamson of the Controllership of the Customs of Lyme-Regis, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 252.]

Jan. 17. Grant to Sir Nich. Salter of the office of Collector of Customs in the port of Chichester and elsewhere, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 252.]

Jan. 17. Licence to Dav. Ramsay and Thos. Wildgoose to make engines to plough without horses, for thirty-one years. [*Ibid., p.* 251.]

Jan. 17. Grant to John Cotton of the parcel of land called the Netherton Acres, &c., in Kent, for thirty-one years. [*Ibid., p.* 258.]

Jan.? 42, 43. Petition of the Eastland Merchants to the Council, that but a small proportion of the assessment towards the expedition against pirates be laid upon them, their trade being not one eighth of the Merchant Adventurers, and much decayed. Two copies.

[Jan. 17.] 44. Proportions of the 40,000*l.* rated by Council, which are to be contributed, in two years, by the several trading companies, and by the Trinity House, towards the expedition against pirates.

[Jan. 17.] 45. Copy of the above.

[Jan. 17.] 46. Note of the proportions to be paid yearly by the above companies.

Jan.? 47. Statement by the Master and Wardens of Trinity House, that the best mode of raising the 2,000*l.* per ann. [for two years], imposed on them as their contribution against pirates, will be by an assessment on trading vessels.

Jan. 18. Philip Lane. 48. Warrant from Lord Zouch to Thos. Fulnetby, to deliver up to Michael Castell and Daniel Van Haringhook, of London, procurators for the owners, the portion saved of the cargo of the ship

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Sampson, of Horne, wrecked on the Godwin Sands, on their paying the Cinque Port droits, and then compounding with the savers, &c.

Jan. 18. 49, 50. Bond of Michael Castell and Daniel Van Haringhook, of London, in 8,000*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for delivery to them of the above goods. Two copies.

Jan. 18. 51. Information of Thos. Swan. Heard Thos. Ashton, of London, say that the King loved swearing and hunting more than the church, and that his late journey [to Scotland] was to erect cathedrals, where there was too much Popery; he condemned episcopacy, &c.

Jan. 18. 52. Examination of Hen. Awdy. Heard Mr. Ashton say that the King heeded hunting more than the Scriptures, and praise Mr. Stock and Mr. Gouge [as preachers].

Jan. 19. 53. Examination of Thos. Ashton. Never blamed the King for hunting or swearing. Reverences bishops, and never said the Bp. of Winchester leaned to the Pope; often attends St. Paul's. Is accused by Swan and Awdy, because they are displeased with his reproving them for drunkenness, and discovering the thefts committed by Swan on his mistress, Alice Fox, wax-chandler, of Old Bailey.

Jan. 19. Newmarket. Proclamation that, for the better regulating of alehouses, patentees are appointed to prevent unlicensed alehouses and to seize forfeited recognizances. *Annexing,*

Directions on the yearly licensing of alehouses, the form of the recognizance to be exacted, the registering of alehouses, &c. Imperfect. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 62.]

Jan. 19. Strand. 54. Minute [by Sir Edw. Coke] of the "most prudent and gracious speech" the Queen made to him, that she wished her debts paid out of her own revenues, without troubling the King; and her jewels, &c. to be annexed to the Crown. She expressed her anxiety that the Prince should grow up in virtue and honour.

Jan. 20. Cartmel. 55. Robt. Curwen, Feodary of Westmoreland, to Sir Jas. Fullerton. Would be glad to do the Prince service in Westmoreland, which he can perform the more readily, having the records of the lands in his hands. The late Chancellor of the Duchy recommended him to stand for the office, but thwarted him in private.

Jan. 20. 56. Petition of Robt. Jones, prisoner in Newgate, to the Council, for release on bail, till his innocency is proved, having been imprisoned unjustly, in the East Indies, on shipboard, and at Newgate, by Lucas Antonius, a Spanish merchant. With report thereon by Sir Thos. Smythe, on behalf of the East India Company, that the prisoner was committed on important information from Sir Thos. Roe, the particulars of which must lie over till his return.

Jan. 20. 57. Petition of the Commissioners of Sewers for Cambridge and Ely to the Same. The request professing to be made on their

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behalf, for no duplicate to be issued of the new Commission of Sewers, was against their wish. Request a duplicate, and that, as the next meeting is to be held at Stilton, a remote place, at a time when much of the country is under water, and when therefore they cannot attend, its statutes may not be binding on their counties. [*Numerously signed.*]

Jan. ? 58. Copy of the above.

Jan. 20. Whitehall. 59. The Council to the Commissioners of Sewers. Directs them to postpone execution of any orders that may be made at their present meeting at Stilton, touching Cambridge or Ely, except that concerning the outfalls of Nen and Welland, the Commissioners for those counties being unable to attend that meeting.

Jan. 20. London. 60. Sir Gerard Herbert to Carleton. Will be happy to do any business for Carleton with the Lord Chamberlain or Earl of Montgomery. Lady Lisle has a boy, the only son to that house; the Earls of Northumberland and Leicester are to be sponsors. Death of Lady Haddington. Sir Lewis Stukeley likely to be condemned to death; all say it is a just judgment of God for Sir Walter Raleigh's blood. Fire at the Banquetting House, Whitehall; the whole palace would have been burnt, but for the providence of the Lord Chamberlain in having some place broken down; it might have been saved, but two fellows, who first saw the fire, went away and said nothing, for fear of being blamed for it; they are committed. The Queen recovering.

Jan. 21. 61. Order by [Sir Sebastian] Harvey, Lord Mayor, and the Council of London, for discontinuance of the playhouse at Blackfriars, on petition of the inhabitants, representing the inconvenience and blocking up of the thoroughfares occasioned by the great resort of people.

Jan. 22. Newmarket. 62. Order of the Marquis of Buckingham [Chief Justice in Eyre North of the Trent], on a petition by the inhabitants of Easingwold against the inclosure of 300 acres in the forest of Galtres, that the said land be used as a fresh pasture for His Majesty's deer during the winter half year only. *Annexing,*

62. 1. *Order at a Sessions at Galtres Forest, by Sir Edw. Stanhope and others* [*Deputies of Buckingham*], *for* 300 *acres called the Howe, in Easingwold, to be appropriated as a winter pasture for the deer. St. Mary's Palace, York, Sept.* 16, 1617.

Jan. 23. London. Sir Thos. Edmondes to Carleton. The Earl and Countess of Suffolk and Sir John Bingley are summoned to the Star Chamber, to answer to charges, that some reason may appear for depriving the Earl of the Treasurership. The Banquetting House at Whitehall burnt, but the King resolves on its re-erection. Sir Lewis Stukeley and his son imprisoned for clipping money. [*Holl. Corresp., Jan.* 23.]

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Jan. 23. 63. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. Lord Knollys [Wallingford] had good promises at his surrendering [the Mastership of the Wards], but they are not fulfilled. The merchants of London, to their great distaste, are likely to be ordered to send out vessels against the pirates. The City offers to rebuild the Banquetting House. The Spanish preparations are thought to be against the Venetians. Lady Harrington is returning from Germany. Sir Wm. Fielding is to take the trouble of the wardrobe from Sir Lionel Cranfield.

Jan. 23. 64. Thos. Locke to the Same. Private affairs. Sir Wm. Balfour is en route for Scotland. Lord Digby, Sir Fulk Greville, and others, are appointed to meet the Dutch Commissioners, but they do not agree well. The case in the Star Chamber against Dutch merchants still proceeds.

Jan. 23. London. 65. Chamberlain to the Same. The King will sit in person on Lake's case, and has ordered the lawyers to cut off all irrelevant matter. Promotions rumoured at Court. Executions of criminals. Lady Sandys, whose husband was hanged for robbery, has herself turned thief. Death of the Earl of Lincoln, and Dr. Edwards, Chancellor of London. Small-pox very prevalent. The Dutch Commissioners are found subtle and cunning; they are lodged at Merchant Tailors' Hall.

Jan. 25. Grant to Sir Lionel Cranfield of the Mastership of the Court of Wards and Liveries, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 235.]

Jan. 27. 66. Decree in the Star Chamber against Wm. Armstead, Thos. Harris, and others, who, contrary to the proclamation for buildings, have erected the whole or part of the fore-front of their houses of timber instead of brick; condemning them to imprisonment, to pay fines of from 40*l.* to 12*l.* each, and to pull down their fore-fronts, and rebuild them with brick.

Jan. 28. 67. Sir Thos. Wynn to Carleton. Splendid equipages, &c., of the Venetian Ambassador at the Masque; he is a courtier of ladies, and frequents the tennis court. Sir Lewis Stukeley's man confessed that his master has clipped coin seven years; he is in Sir Walter Raleigh's former chamber. The Lord Chamberlain Pembroke is spoken of for Treasurer, and Lord Hamilton or Doncaster for Chamberlain. No prospect of agreement with the States' Commissioners. Lord Rich takes it ill that the East India Company took his rich prize from him, and restored it to the Mogul's mother; it was done at Sir Thos. Roe's suggestion. Conjectures about the destiny of the Spanish fleet. A new and powerful Admiral, Marquis Buckingham, appointed. Lord Cobham is dead, and lies unburied for want of money.

Jan. 28. Westminster. Grant to Geo. Marquis of Buckingham, of the office of Lord High Admiral of England. [*The original Commission, with the Great Seal appended, and an initial portrait of the King. Dom. Miscellaneous, No.* 268.]

Jan. 29. Grant to Thos. Read of the office of Latin Secretary, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 251.]

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Jan. 29. Newmarket. Proclamation for stricter execution of orders for restraint of killing and eating flesh in Lent, and on Fridays; no butchers' licences are to be allowed; victuallers and others to be bound over in recognizances not to allow meat to be eaten, &c. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 63.]

Jan. 30. Westminster. 68. Fras. Lord Russell to [the Commissioners for] the Earl Marshal's office. Excuses himself from attending the next running at the tilt, on account of his late large expenses.

Jan. 30. London. 69. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Lord Chancellor has issued new orders for his court. Sir Lionel Cranfield made no speech at his first sitting in the Court of Wards. The Earl of Suffolk and his Lady are charged with extortion, oppression, bribery, false dealing, embezzlement of the King's jewels, &c. His Majesty, on dismissing Visct. Wallingford, said his only fault was being governed by his wife. Certain persons fined for infringing the proclamation about buildings, which the Lord Chief Justice declared to have the force of an Act of Parliament; others will follow, too many for the Earl of Arundel to have all the penalties. Thirty coaches of ladies attended the Countess of Exeter to the Star Chamber. Report that Lady Roos is to marry Lord John Paulet, heir of the Marquis of Winchester. The Queen begins to recover, and has given audience to some foreign Ambassadors. Lord Digby's abilities commended in his dealings with the States' Commissioners. The King has been to Sir Nich. Bacon's, to see his beautiful grandchild, daughter to the late Sir Basingbourn Gawdy. Sends verses on her, said to be written by the Prince. *Incloses,*

69. 1. *Lines containing an anagram on Anne Gawdy.*

Jan. 30. London. Sir Edw. Harwood to [the Same]. Of the twenty-five ships in the navy, few could safely go further than Plymouth. The merchants are pressed to another expedition against the pirates, but they say it would anger yet not destroy them. The pirates have liberated their English and Flemish captives. The Spanish preparations not thought to be against England or Ireland. Lady Roos finds more friends than she expected, on the opening of her cause. The Savoy Ambassador has arrived, and Wake is returning to Turin. The King stays in town till after Shrovetide. [*Holl. Corresp., Jan.* 30.]

Jan. 30. 70. The King to the Fellows of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge. Orders them to elect Sir Thos. Wilson, Keeper of State Papers, to the Mastership of their College, in the room of Dr. Wm. Branthwait, deceased; will take no denial, he being a man of learning and sufficiency, and having performed long and faithful service. Indorsed [by Wilson] with note, that the letter was not sent.

Jan. 71. Sir Hen. and Lady Savile to the Same. The marriage [of John Levingston and Mrs. Marwood] will take place at the Rolls on Sunday next, and the party will dine with the Master of the Rolls.

Jan. 72. List of those persons free of the Brewers' [Company] who are willing to pay the arrears, of those that are unwilling, and of those who did not appear.

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Jan. ? 73. Petition of David Sampson, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Council. Has been employed as labourer for thirty years by the late Queen and the King, until the fire at the Banquetting House, Whitehall, for which he is blamed. Prays for release on sufficient bail.

Feb. 1. Commission to Sir Hen. Yelverton and others, to compound for holding or altering markets and fairs. [*Grant Bk., p.* 233.]

Feb. 2. Whitehall. Proclamation specifying the duties of the Clerk of the Market, viz., to inquire into deceitful measures or weights, examine the wholesomeness of provisions, prevent fraudulent raising of prices, &c., and ordering him and his deputies to hold yearly sessions, for trial by jury of offences. Printed. [*The first leaf wanting. Proc. Coll., No.* 64.]

Feb. 3. 74. Sir Hen. Parker to the Earl of Arundel. Begs to be excused from attending [the tilt], his debts being great and his means small.

Feb. 3. 75. Fras. Lord Russell to Sir Clement Edmondes. Begs despatch of the reprieve for Harry Read, prisoner for highway robbery, to be sent to Virginia.

Feb. 3. Sandwich. 76. Wm. Wise to Carleton. Sends him, by order of Sir Peter Manwood, two kilderkins of ale, two venison pasties, and some brawn.

Feb. 4. Edinburgh. 77. Jane Drummond, Lady Roxburgh, to the Same. Thanks for his kindness to her cousin, Ancient Drummond; would gladly do him further service than merely presenting his letters to His Majesty.

Feb. 4. Whitehall. Sir Robt. Naunton to the Same. Yesterday the King heard, in the Star Chamber, the case of Sec. Lake v. Luke Hatton; to-morrow he will hear the Earl and Countess of Exeter v. Sec. Lake and his Lady, Lady Roos, Sir Art. Lake, and Sara Swarton; and the next day, Sir Thos. Lake, jun., v. the Earl and Countess of Exeter, Eliz. Graham, and Geo. Gwillims. [*Holl. Corresp., Feb.* 4, 1619.]

Feb. 4? 78. Request that the King would qualify the rigour of the law against such artizans as have incurred forfeitures by exercising manual occupations and trades, contrary to the statute [of apprenticeship].

Feb. 4? 79. Petition of certain freemen of London, for participation in the intended grant of pardon for such as have not served their apprenticeship according to the statute of 5 Eliz., and for stay of all prosecutions against them thereupon.

Feb. 4. Commission to Sir Jas. Spence and others, to compound with persons using trades, not having been apprentices. [*Grant Bk., p.* 233.]

Feb. 4. Abstract of a Commission to Sir Jas. Spence and others, to compound with and grant pardons to such as use trades whereto

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they have not been apprenticed, and to dispense with their continuing the same, notwithstanding the statute of 5 Eliz., and enforcing the observance of that statute in future. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 64 *B.*]

Feb. 4. Whitehall. Proclamation prohibiting the exchange of moneys for profit, the making plate of coin, and the excessive use of gold and silver foliate, which is to be confined to armour and ensigns of honour. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 65.]

Feb. 5. Guildhall. 80. Act of the Common Council of London, disfranchising Thos. Dunham, Citizen and Painter-stainer, for non-residence for a whole year, contrary to the Order of 7 July, 37 Hen. VIII.

[Feb. 5.] 81. Abstract of the case between the Earl and Countess of Exeter, plaintiffs, Sir Thos. Lake and his Lady, Lady Roos, Sir Art. Lake, and Sara Swarton, defendants; specifying the charges in the bill, the grounds on which they are met, and the proofs of the plaintiffs.

[Feb. 5.] 82. Abstract of proofs on both sides, principally taken from the examinations of witnesses, in the case of the Earl and Countess of Exeter v. Sir Thos. Lake and others; with exceptions by the defendants against the plaintiffs' witnesses, and the plaintiffs' reply thereon.

Feb. 6. London. 83. Chamberlain to Carleton. Intended marriages of Sir Benj. Rudyard to a daughter of Sir Fras. Darcy, Sir Lionel Cranfield to Lady Effingham, and Mr. Levingston to Mrs. Marwood, to whom the King gives 500*l.* per ann. jointure. His Majesty has knighted five of the Commissioners for the Household and Navy Affairs. Buckingham has bought the sole Admiralship from the old Admiral, for 3,000*l.* and 1,000*l.* pension. Sir Rich. Wingfield, though eighty-eight years old, and childless, has given Lord Haddington 2,000*l.* for an Irish Viscountcy. The Countess of Buckingham has kept away from Court since he relevation, of which this is thought to be a condition. Sir Thos. Smythe's house at Deptford burnt down. The King made a speech in the Court of Star Chamber, comparing himself to Solomon, called to decide between two women, and to find out the true mother of the child, that is verity. The case goes hard against Sir Thos. Lake's side, his proofs being so weak that they fall to the ground.

Feb. 6. London. 84. Sir Edw. Harwood to the Same. The King spoke well, as he always does, on the opening of Lady Exeter's cause in the Star Chamber. The bill against Luke Hatton so weak and improbable that no one believes it. Particulars of Lady Exeter's bill against Lady Roos; evidence of witnesses, &c. The letters of Lady Exeter and Luke Hatton, produced against the Countess, are suspected to be forgeries. Sara Swarton, the maid who swore for Lady Roos, once threatened to betray her on some discontent, but 100*l.* was given to appease her. The King took up the lawyers, when they used circumlocution. An Algiers fleet preparing, of six vessels of the navy, five of the Cinque Ports, and fourteen merchants.

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Feb. 6. London. 85. Sir Peter Manwood to Carleton. Thanks for favours to his son, who has fallen ill in Germany, on his way home. Begs remembrance for his son John, if any new companies are to be raised.

Feb. 7. 86. Certificate of Robt. Heath, Recorder of London, and others, to the [Council], of the fitness of Hen. Read, prisoner in Newgate, for transportation to foreign parts.

[Feb. 7.] 87. Petition of Geo. Isaac to the Council for release, being penitent for having presented to the Mayor a petition on behalf of the Carpenters' Company, tending to disorder and tumult.

Feb. 7. Whitehall. 88. The Council to Lord Zouch. The pirates of Algiers and Tunis have grown so strong that in a few years they have taken 300 ships, and imprisoned many hundred persons. The King has resolved on their extirpation. The merchants of London have offered 40,000*l.* towards the expedition; those of the Cinque Ports are requested to promise 200*l.* per ann. for two years.

[Feb. 7.] 89. List of letters to be sent [by Council] to the several sea-ports, to demand contributions towards the expedition against pirates, with marginal notes of their success.

Feb. 8. 90. Answer of Lady Roos, in behalf of Sir Thos. Lake and herself, with notes of examinations of witnesses, &c. in her behalf.

Feb. 8. Grant to Sir Geo. Hay of the customs on smalt, &c., for thirty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 265.]

Feb. 10. Grant to John Latch and Hum. Bradborne, of the office of passing commissions for bankrupts, &c., for life. [*Ibid., p.* 268.]

Feb. 10. 91. Declaration of the Merchant Adventurers to the Council. They are willing to contribute their share towards the 20,000*l.* per ann. for two years, to be paid for suppression of pirates, but hope the proportion assigned to them may be small, their trade being near, and little affected thereby, and further charges on cloth being injurious to home manufactures. Think the merchants trading to the south, being the parties interested, should pay 18,000*l.* out of the 20,000*l.*

Feb. 11. 92. Examination of John Browne, gun-founder, master of the furnace at Brenchley, co. Kent. Has 200 men at work, and more than half of the ordnance manufactured by him has been bought and exported by the Dutch, under licence; knows nothing of what is done at the four ordnance furnaces in Sussex.

Feb. 12. Westminster. 93. Commission to Sir Lionel Cranfield, Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Rich. Weston and others, Commissioners for Survey of the Navy, to carry into execution the projects by them devised for reform of the navy, and to exercise the office of Comptroller and Surveyor in examining the accounts; also deputing to individual Commissioners particular duties in reference to the building of ships, &c. Latin. Damaged.

[Feb. 12.] 94. Copy of the above.

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Feb. 12. 95. Warrant to Thos. Skrimsher, Sheriff of Staffordshire, and others, to execute a decree of the Court of Exchequer of the 3rd of February last, in the cause of the Attorney General v. Edw. Lord Dudley, Thos. Wilmore, and Martha Gravenor, for ejection of the defendants from certain lands in Sedgley, co. Stafford.

[Feb. 13.] 96. Abstract of [the King's] judgment that in this foul practice, Lady Lake was the author, Lady Roos the actor, Sir Thos. Lake the surety and tool, Sir Thos. Lake, jun., the accuser, Sir Art. Lake chief abettor and accessory, and Sara Swarton an impudent and shameless instrument.

Feb. 13? 97. Account of the fines and penalties imposed upon Sir Thos. Lake and his party, in the Star Chamber cause with the Countess of Exeter.

Feb. 13. 98. Sir Wm. Smithe to Carleton. The King has fined Sir Thos. Lake and his wife 5,000*l.* each, Lady Roos 10,000 marks, Sir Thos. Lake, jun., 1,000*l.*, with imprisonment in the Tower for life; Sara Swarton 100*l.*, and to be whipped, branded, and imprisoned in Bridewell for life. Lady Exeter has 4,000*l.* damages; Luke Hatton 500*l.*, and others smaller sums, all to be paid by Sir Thos. Lake. Hopes Carleton may obtain Lake's place of Secretary.

Feb. 13. Whitehall. Proclamation for renewal of Commission to compound with persons for confirmation of defective titles or estates. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 66.]

Feb.? 99. Note of the size of the ships to be provided by the merchants against the pirates. Six merchants are to be joined with the Commissioners of the Navy, to regulate the service, but all the captains to be appointed by the Lord Admiral.

Feb.? 100. Copy of the above.

Feb.? 101. [The Trinity Board?] to the Commissioners of the Navy. At the request of the merchants, they state the number of men expedient to employ in the twelve ships to be set forth by the merchants against the pirates.

Feb. 13. Cambridge. 102. Commissioners of Sewers for cos. Northampton, Cambridge, the Isle of Ely, &c., to Nich. Massy, Clerk of the Sewers. Require him, in obedience to an order from Council, to suspend the execution of any warrants for Cambridge and the Isle of Ely, made at the Sessions of Sewers, of Jan. 20, except such as concern the outfalls of the rivers Nen and Welland.

Feb. 13. London. 103. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Spanish preparations are abating, but the King has ordered six ships to be rigged, and the merchant companies to fit out others, the expense to be borne by an impost of two per cent. on imports and exports, which professes to be only for two years. Much murmuring because, though powder is most wanted, the Spanish Ambassador was allowed to export a great quantity both of powder and ordnance. Old Lady Finch is to be made Viscountess Copthall, in Essex. Carleton's cousin, Mrs. Marwood, married at the Rolls; the two Marquises and many other nobles

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present; the King gives the bride 500*l.* a year from the customs; he sits very patiently in the Star Chamber, but finds fault with the lawyers' repetitions. Sir Thos. Lake and Lady Roos have been twice with His Majesty this week, but the King says no one can serve him who was prayed for at Brussels, as Trumbull writes that Lake is. The King, in the Star Chamber, bade all secretaries beware of trusting their wives with secrets of state. Lord Digby was the only one who tried to modify Lake's sentence, but the King bade him either clear him or condemn him with the rest. His Majesty spoke long and well, comparing Lake to Adam, Lady Lake to Eve, and Lady Roos to the serpent; he also ordered the musters and the troops to be ready against the Papists, who grow bold in hope of the match with Spain; he has written a meditation on the Lord's Prayer, and has dedicated it to Buckingham.

Feb. 14. 104. Sir Thos. Wynn to Carleton. Particulars of the sentences in Sir Thos. Lake's case. Lord Digby, the Lord Chancellor and others, tried to excuse Lake; the Papists at Louvaine prayed for him. Packer, Calvert and Carleton, spoken of for the Secretaryship. Lord Sheffield has surrendered the Presidency of the North to Lord Scrope, and wishes to command the combined English and Dutch fleets against the pirates, but the Dutch will not have an English admiral. The King has charged the Judges to beware of Papists, especially of women, who are the nourishers of Papistry. Lord Rich has arrested an East Indian ship, on an action for 1,600,000*l.*, but the King orders him to compound, and will not allow him to go to law. Sir Rich. Wingfield made Visct. Powerscourt. News of the Emperor's death.

Feb. 14. Grant to Sir Robt. Douglas of all moneys arising from compositions for alteration of fairs and markets. [*Grant Bk., p.* 244.]

Feb. 14. Grant to Sir Geo. Calvert of the office of one of the Secretaries of State, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 233.]

Feb. 15. Bishopthorpe. 105. Tobias Matthew, Archbp. of York, to the Council. Has written to the Bishops of his province to further the musters of the clergy, and to send in certificates to the Commissioners for Musters.

Feb. 15. Dunnington. 106. The Earl of Huntingdon to Sir Clement Edmondes. Could not send certificates of the musters in his lieutenancy by October, the defects being so great that they cannot be supplied till Spring.

Feb. 15. 107. Warrant from Lord Zouch to Thos. Fulnetby, Serjeant of the Admiralty, and Wm. Coppin, Droit Gatherer, to search for and seize all prohibited goods and merchandise imported or exported from the Cinque Ports, and all goods imported without payment of custom.

Feb. 15. Dover. 108. Wm. Ward to Lord Zouch. Has failed to compromise the dispute between Emanuel and Jeremy Alley and Jeremy Monday about a debt. General fear of the Spaniards. The Castle of Dover and the forts are unprovided.

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Feb. 15. 109. The Council to Sir Thos. Lowe, Governor of the Turkey Company. To call on the companies trading to the Levant, Spain, Portugal, Barbary, &c., to consult on the best mode of raising 8,500*l.* per ann. for two years, their proportion towards the service against pirates.

Feb. ? 110. The Levant Company to the Council. Had hoped to be excused contribution on account of their debts, but are willing to raise the sum required by an equal tax on exports and imports.

Feb. 15. London. 111. Alex. Williams to Carleton. The King has heard in the Star Chamber Sir Thos. Lake's case; he and his Lady each fined 5,000*l.*, Lady Roos 10,000*l.*, and all to be confined to the Tower for life, and to make a public recognition to Lady Exeter; Sir Art. Lake fined 500 marks, and Lady Lake's woman to be publicly whipped twice, and branded as a false accuser; the Countess of Exeter has 4,000*l.* damages, and her woman 100*l.*; Luke Hatton 500*l.*, and Geo Gwillims 100*l.*

Feb. 16. London. 112. Sir Edw. Harwood to the Same. In Lady Exeter's case, the writings relative to the poisoning, &c. were all proved to be forged, and the witnesses perjured; the sentence detailed. Sir Geo. Calvert sworn Secretary. Buckingham declares the choice was the King's own, and that he would not have a more eminent man, for fear of reflecting on Sec. Naunton. The King will not be satisfied till, either by confession or public hearing, it is proved that Suffolk's disgrace is merited.

Feb. 16 Fleet Prison. 113. Gerard Malines to the King. Begs relief; has been ruined by the persons who employed him in the coinage of the farthing tokens, and who insist on paying him in farthing tokens, which are rendered void by a subsequent unauthorized coinage thereof.

Feb. 16. Colchester. 114. Bailiffs of Colchester to the Council. The merchants of the town, being factors for others, are unable to pay the contribution required towards suppressing pirates, but it may be raised, if levied upon the whole of the inhabitants of Colchester. *Inclose,*

114. I. *Certificate of all the shipping and owners of ships within the port of Colchester.*

Feb. 16. 115. Receipt of Dennis Guillart for 30*l.* from Endymion Porter, for boots and shoes supplied for his Lordship [Buckingham].

Feb. 16. Licence to Abraham Baker to make and sell smalt, for thirty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 242.]

Feb. 18. Proclamation of a Brief for collections throughout Middlesex and the western counties, for repair of Staines Bridge, and maintenance of the causeway of Egham, co. Middlesex; the tolls only bringing in 24*l.* yearly, the inhabitants cannot meet the expense, which will be 1,000*l.*, without help. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 64 *A.*]

Feb. 18. Hurst. 116. Rich. Harrison to Carleton. Particulars about Carleton's property at Imworth.

Feb. 19. 117. Sir Thos. Wynn to the Same. Lord Doncaster going Ambassador to Germany and Bohemia. The Prince does not tilt this year. Agreement likely to be make with the States' Commissioners.

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Feb. 19. Lambeth. 118. Archbp. Abbot to Sir Thos. Roe. Thinks Sir Walter Raleigh's death was a judgment upon him for his scepticism. The King blames some of Thos. Coryat's tales from the East. Commissioners are come from Holland to settle the East India trade. The King of Spain inclined to peace with England. News from Germany. Sir Robt. Shirley recognized in Spain as Ambsssador Lieger from Persia. The Turks are said to have taken Tauris. Lord Rich called to account for wronging the East India Company.

[Feb. 19.] 119. Grant to Chas. Earl of Nottingham, on surrender of his office of Admiral, of the place and precedence of John Mowbray, his progenitor, created Earl of Nottingham by Richard II.

Feb. 20. Salisbury House. 120. G. Gerrard to Carleton. On the 15th, Sir Thos. Lake, his wife and daughter, were sent to the Tower; Lady Roos was cursed horribly by the people as she went. Cottington writes that the Spanish Armada is stopped for this year, but our ships get ready. The King has given the Earl of Southampton 1,200*l.* a year, in lieu of his land in the New Forest, grown useless by the multitude of the deer.

Feb. 20. London. 121. Chamberlain to the Same. The Seals were fetched away from Sir Thos. Lake; he petitioned the King to mitigate his fine, pleading his not being privy to any unlawful practice. His Majesty has ordered the two Chief Justices to examine the matter to the bottom. Sara Swarton is promised pardon, if she will confess all. The King is at Theobalds. Sir Geo. Calvert sworn Secretary, though he pleaded want of ability. Lady Hatton daily wins ground of her husband. Sir John Suckling made Master of Requests. Lady Suffolk sick of the small-pox. Strict orders for keeping Lent.

Feb. 21. 122. Lord Chief Justice Montague, Sir Edw. Conway, and Sir Horace Vere, to the Council. Have examined Capt. Panton's affair, the [Artillery] Company consenting to accept their mediation; find his bands well trained, but as no captain should be placed without advice of Council, have required that both he and Capt. Bingham should resign for a time; suggest that Council then propose three persons from whom the Company may choose one.

Feb. ? 123. Petition of divers Citizens of London exercising arms in the Artillery Garden, to the Same, for settlement of their cause, which was referred to the Lord Chief Justice, Sir Edw. Conway and Sir Horace Vere, who have reported thereon; plead for the continuance of their company, as having first set the example of such exercises.

Feb. 22. Eton. 124. Sir Hen. Savile to Carleton. Sir Albert Morton and Sir Giles Mompesson are Clerks of the Council. The King's graciousness to the widow [Mrs. Manwood] on her marriage. Asks how Grotius fares in this tempest.

Feb. 22. Southampton. 125. Mayor of Southampton to the Council. The merchants of the town agree to contribute 92*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* towards suppressing pirates. *Inclose,*

125. I. *Certificate of merchants and owners of shipping at Southampton, of the several sums which each will contribute towards suppressing pirates. Southampton, Feb.* 22.

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Feb. 23. 126. Sir Thos. Coventry to [the Council]. Has settled the dispute between Sir Mich. Green and Edm. Gregory, of Cookham; the farm called Ives Ground, extended by Gregory for debt, is restored, and should be vested in trustees for payment of Millicent Lady Green's jointure of 60*l.* per ann., and of the arrears thereof.

Feb. 23. Office of Papers, Whitehall. 127. Sir Thos. Wilson to Sir Jas. Ley, Attorney of the Court of Wards. Requests that the other sureties, being abler than himself, may be proceeded against on their joint bond for 70*l.*, for the wardships of the heirs, Thos. Crompton, Rich. Holt, and Thos. Baxter, and that he may be spared therein.

Feb. 23. 128. Receipt for divers writings, letters patent, books and boxes, left by Ferdinando Dodswell with Rich. Hanby, and delivered to Thos. Dodswell, his executor.

Feb. 23. Reading. 129. Justices of Assize, co. Berks, to the Commissioners of the Earl Marshalship. Find it customary that a junior alderman or burgess, made mayor before a senior, shall take and retain the precedence; think a recent decree to the contrary, made for Reading, by unfair contrivance of parties interested, should not be allowed to stand.

Feb. 23. Ipswich. 130. Bailiffs of Ipswich to the Council. The merchants hold back from paying their proportion towards the pirates' contribution, till they export and import their goods; will advance the money, if they may have a warrant to levy it in equal shares from merchants and owners, on all goods exported or imported.

Feb. 23. Whitehall. The Council to the Judges, Mayors, Sheriffs and Officers of Counties, of England and Wales. Request them to declare in the sessions and at all public assemblies, the importance of contributing willingly for the repair of certain havens of Suffolk, for which the King has authorized a benevolence. *Prefixing,*

1. *Letters Patent declaring the importance of maintaining the havens of Dunwich, Southwold, and Walberswick, co. Suffolk, formerly producing* 20,000*l. of fish per ann., but now greatly decayed by violence of the water, and losses of the inhabitants, through fire, pirates, shipwrecks, &c.; 6000l. being necessary for the repair of the havens, a general collection is authorized, to be made from seat to seat in churches, or at the houses of absentees, and the bailiffs or churchwardens of the three towns appointed receivers thereof. Westminster, Jan.* 23. *Printed.* [*Proc. Coll., No.* 62 A.]

Feb. 24. Doctors Commons. 131. Sir Hen. Marten to the Council. Finds that on the ship Margaret there is no ordnance, but sixty fothers of lead sent for Malaga by Mr. Duckett, who has contracted to supply the King of Spain with large quantities of lead.

Feb. 24. London. 132. Sir Wm. Lovelace to Carleton. Eighteen good ships are rigging for sea, and musters going on strictly. The Queen somewhat better. The King at Newmarket. The Earl of Oxford and Lord Hunsdon will run at the tilt, but not the Prince nor Buckingham.

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Feb. 24. Grant to Thos. Morton of fines for non-amendment of highways in certain counties, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 269.]

Feb. 25. Commission to the Lord Chancellor, &c. to take account of the jewels and plate, and to do other things concerning the same. [*Ibid., p.* 261.]

Feb. 25. Dunnington. 133. The Earl of Huntingdon to the Council. Has difficulty in raising the horse for the musters ; many persons bring certificates that they are charged in other counties. Asks whether those who have 300*l.* per ann. of land in the county should not be charged there.

Feb. 25. 134. Certificate of certain cutlers, gunmakers, blacksmiths, and locksmiths, declaring that steel made by Sir Basil Brooke, under patent to Elliot and Meysey, is worthless, and requesting permission to use foreign steel as before, until the cause which is pending in the Court of Exchequer be decided.

[Feb.] 135. Statement of the badness of the steel of the old patentees, and offer to pay 5,000*l.* to the King for permission to make steel, without hindering the importation of foreign steel.

Feb.? 136. Certificate from men of twelve different trades, workers in steel, of the badness of the steel manufactured by Sir Basil Brooke.

Feb.? 137. Certificate of numerous working smiths, gunmakers, and cutlers of London, in favour of the steel of Matthew du Rocher; with names of persons aggrieved by the imperfect steel made in England by the patentees.

Feb. 25. 138. Account of the several kinds of salt fish remaining in the hands of the Fishmongers' Company, with their prices: cod 18*d.* per couple, herrings 2*s.* or 3*s.* per hundred, &c.

Feb. 25. Prince's Council Chamber, Fleet Street. 139. Council of the Prince of Wales to the Keepers of Brancepeth, Raby, and Barnard-Castle. The trees blown down are only to be used for mending the pales, and no wood to be cut for firewood, nor browse for the deer.

Feb. 26. Commission to the Archbp. of Canterbury and others, to compound with persons for denizations. [*Grant Bk., p.* 261.]

Feb. 27. Oakhampton. 140. The Earl of Bath and others to the Council. Have met for ordering the forces of Devon to repel any sudden invasion. Commend an application of Sir Ferdinando Gorges for repairs, Plymouth being a place likely for attack, and one whose loss would involve great mischief. The supply of powder in the county is defective, and the merchants dare not buy it without licence. *Inclose,*

140. I. *Sir Ferdinando Gorges to the Earl of Bath. The rumours of foreign invasion demand repairs at Plymouth and St. Nicholas' Island; will require* 100 *workmen to repair breaches, and* 100 *musketeers. Plymouth, Feb.* 22.

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Feb. 27. Lyme-Regis. 141. Mayor of Lyme-Regis to the Council. Inability of the merchants to raise the 450*l.* required for the suppression of piracy; it would amount to twenty subsidies. Request that the impost may be chiefly levied on merchants of Bristol and Exeter, &c., who have the main trade of Lyme-Regis, as was done in the contribution of 1588.

Feb. 27. Gray's Inn. 142. Petition of Fras. Seagar to the Attorney General, for delivery of thirty-two old cloaks and some cloth, seized at Dover, for not being entered for custom. With order thereon, granting the petition, on condition of consent of the Farmers of Forfeitures.

Feb. 27. London. 143. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sara Swarton, when on her way to the pillory, confessed that the imputations of poison and incest on Lady Exeter were false, and that her recognition thereof to Lady Roos was forged, and told much of the young lady's filthy conduct. She asked for a minister, but Mr. Gray, her uncle, Sir Thos. Lake's chaplain, a suspected priest, being sent to her, she would not confess any more. Lady Roos refuses to answer further, so they all remain close prisoners. Lake has written to the Earl and Countess of Exeter, to remit his fine and damages.

Feb. 28. 144. Petition of Chas. and Anne Chichester to the Council, to command the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London to pay the portion of the latter, stayed by contrivance of Alderman Hackett and of Thos. Jones, her kinsman, although he has performed his conditions in assuring her jointure. With order thereon. *Annexing,*

144. I. *Certificate of Robt. Heath, Recorder of London, that the assurances offered by Chas. Chichester, for securing his wife's jointure, are satisfactory. Feb.* 23, 1619.

Feb. 28. Bristol. 145. Mayor of Bristol to the Same. Has prevailed upon the inhabitants to make up the contribution of 600*l.*, given by the merchants towards suppression of pirates, to 1,000*l.*; the slender trade prevents their providing the full sum required by the Council. *Incloses,*

145. I. *Merchants and Shipowners of Bristol to John Guy, the Mayor. Will furnish* 600*l. towards suppressing the pirates. Think if other ports contribute in proportion, the service will be well performed. Bristol, Feb.* 24.

Feb. ? 146. Note of charges and damages sustained by Philip Watson, of Rochdale, merchant, in coming to London, and attending on the cause of Lady Lake and her daughter.

Feb. 147. Petition of the Merchants of the Staple to the Council, to compel the wool-dealers, &c., at Lincoln Market, to bring their wool to be viewed and weighed by Wm. Cooke, the authorized Deputy Searcher for that city.

Feb. ? 148. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord Admiral Buckingham. The Venetians being willing, at their own expense, to rig out the ships they borrow, the King may save expense by professing that he is no

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Feb. ? Proclamation of the King's grant, on Feb. 3, 1619, of a patent for the manufacture of hard wax, prohibiting its importation, or the manufacture thereof by any other than the patentees. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 64 *A.*]

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Feb. ? Return of the lands and other donations for superstitious uses, given to and held by the various parishes in London and Middlesex. [*See Jan.* 14 *and* 15,]

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March 1. 1. Sir Robt. Killigrew to Carleton. His actions answer the expectations formed of him; thanks for favours to his son.

March 2. London. 2. Stephen Gybbes, Lieutenant of Sandgate Castle, to Nicholas. The sudden tidings of the death of the Queen has prevented his receiving directions for repairs of the castle, &c.

March 5. Plymouth. 3. Sir Ferdinando Gorges to the Council. Renews his request for repairs of the fortifications of Plymouth. The Spaniards, in 1588, imputed the failure of their design to their not seizing Plymouth, and will doubtless attack it, if they have any present design against England. Entreats payment of arrears due to the garrison.

March 5. Office of Works. 4. Inigo Jones and Thos. Baldwin to [the Commissioners of the Treasury]. Think the Gatehouse Prison at St. Alban's should be repaired by the King, and not by the county of Hertford, it being the under part of the Gatehouse of the King's stable there.

March [5 ?] Southampton. 5. Mayor of Southampton to the Council. Cannot prevail on the merchants to do more than make up their contribution for suppressing pirates to 100*l.*, instead of 300*l.*, as required. Few of them trade into the Straits, being prevented by the Levant Company.

March 6. London. 6. Chamberlain to Carleton. Death of the Queen on the 2nd instant; she postponed all arrangements, not thinking her end so near, and then could not make a will; she only wished to leave a casket of jewels to Lady Elizabeth, and all beside to the Prince; but her moveables being valued at 400,000*l.*, it is doubtful whether this can stand as a will; she is brought to Denmark House. The King is at Newmarket, and has had a severe fit of the stone, as has also the Lord Chancellor. Sir Thos. Lake and Lady Roos, &c. refuse to answer

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interrogatories. Lady Exeter has 4,000*l.* damages awarded her, and 3,400*l.* for costs. Lord Sheffield has married the young daughter of Sir Wm. Irwin, a kind of dancing tutor to Prince Henry, &c.

March 6. London. 7. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. Particulars of the Queen's death; Mayerne told her, as she had requested him to do, when she was within twenty-four hours of her end; she made her will in favour of the Prince, leaving a jewel to the King of Denmark, but nothing to Lady Elizabeth; she gave a good account of her faith, free from all Popery; the Prince and most of the Council were with her when she died. Sara Swarton and Cath. Maynard have made confessions about Lady Roos.

March ? Stanzas written by the King on the death of the Queen. [*Imperfect MSS., Jac. I., No.* 2, *fol.* 27.]

March 6. 8. Mat. de Quester to Carleton. Sends letters from Sec. Naunton. Begs that the bearer, Geo. Martin, may be sent back with a despatch.

March 6. 9. Sir Thos. Wynn to the Same. Particulars of the death of the Queen; she wished much to see the King, but he is at Newmarket, and unwell. The tilting postponed. Lord Sheffield married to a Scottish wench of sixteen, daughter of Sir Wm. Irwin. No agreement can be come to with the States' Commissioners; their claims are too exorbitant.

March 6. Commission to Emanuel Lord Scrope, President of the Council in the North, and others, to apprehend lewd persons, &c. [*Grant Bk., p.* 233.]

March 6. Dartmouth. 10. Mayor of Dartmouth to the Council. The merchants, &c. of that port are willing to contribute towards suppressing the Turkish pirates, but the merchants of Totness, which is within the port, who do three times the traffic, refuse to join them, not being particularly named in the Council Order. Requests directions.

March 6. Hastings. 11. Muster roll of the trained bands of the town and port of Hastings.

March 7? 12. Muster roll of soldiers and armed men of Ramsgate and Sarr, two members of Sandwich.

March 7. Kingston-upon-Hull. 13. Mayor, &c. of Kingston-upon-Hull to the Council. Of the proportion of 500*l.* laid upon them for suppression of pirates, four sevenths belong to the merchants of York, who have not come forward, as promised, to join them. Will raise their share, but beg a warrant to do it either upon the few merchants who trade to the south, or upon the inhabitants generally; the restraint of certain exports and imports, and of trading to certain places, confines their shipping chiefly to Newcastle coals or to trade to London.

March 7? 14. Petition of Kath. Bulkeley to the Same, on behalf of her husband, Rich. Bulkeley, son and heir apparent of Sir Rich. Bulkeley,

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of Beaumaris, for payment of the arrears of 40*l.* per ann., promised by Sir Richard to her husband; and for summons to Sir Richard to appear for defaming Rich. Bulkeley and his mother.

March 8. Westminster. Grant to Geo. Boswell, Parson of Little Sudbury, co. Gloucester, of pardon for simony committed by his father in purchasing the living, it being done without his knowledge. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* IX., *No.* 107.]

March 9. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Croft, of Hunton, co. York, of pardon for killing Chris. Loftus in a quarrel. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 108.]

March 9. Hurst. 15. Rich. Harrison to Carleton. The old Knight [Sir Hen. Savile], beginning to fail, advises Carleton to renew his suit about [the Provostship of] Eton College.

March 9. 16. Petition of John Withers, of London, to the Council, to be excused from attending musters, on account of ill health. With order thereon, recommending his discharge. *Annexing,*

16. 1. *Certificate of Dr. Thos. Winstone and Jas. Mullins, Surgeon, that John Withers has been under their care for a dangerous wound. March* 1.

[March 10.] 17. Petition of Art. Wood, Ancient, to the Same. Has served in the Low Countries and Ireland, under Sir Edw. Norris, Sir Art. Savage, and the Earl of Clanricarde. Prays for letters to the Justices of Sussex to allow him a pension. [*See April* 6.]

March 10. Weymouth and Melcombe-Regis. 18. Mayor of Weymouth to the Same. The merchants themselves can only raise 100*l.*, instead of 450*l.* as required, for suppression of pirates, most of their trade belonging to merchants in the inland towns, but they will advance 400*l.* if they may have a warrant to levy it on exports and imports.

March 10. 19. Muster roll of the general band of Rye.

March 10. 20. Muster roll of the select band of Rye.

March 11. Tenterden. 21. Muster roll of the general band of the town and hundred of Tenterden.

March 11. 22. Muster roll of the select and trained bands of Tenterden.

March 11. 23. Examination of Jonathan Dan, of Faversham. Heard Rich. Castle say, on a report of the suicide of the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, that it would have been well had he died seven years before, for the powder barrels he sent to Dover were almost filled with sand, and he did good to none but such as Mr. Philpot.

March 11. Commission to Esme Lord Aubigny and others, of lieutenancy in co. Hants. [*Grant Bk., p.* 233.]

March 12. 24. General muster roll of New Romney.

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March 12. Barnstaple. 25. Mayor of Barnstaple to the Council. The shipowners have contributed 100*l.* and the merchants 230*l.*, towards the suppression of pirates. Cannot raise more, because the merchants, not being incorporated, are subject to no government; there are many casual traders who disclaim all charges; also some few merchants are backward and refractory; their names shall be sent if required. *Incloses.*

25. I. *Note of the names of the merchants of Barnstaple willing to contribute, and of the sums subscribed by each. March* 9, *Barnstaple.*

March 12. Yarmouth. 26. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the Same. Are utterly unable to raise the 200*l.* required for suppression of pirates. The merchants of Woodbridge, included as a member of their port, have not answered their application, and the other places refuse to be acknowledged members of their port. The Yarmouth merchants are willing to do what they can, but they trade only to France and Holland, and are so burdened with charges of piers, haven, &c., that they will have to beg relief. *Inclose,*

26. I. *John Arnold to the Bailiffs of Yarmouth. Some of the people of Lowestoft are willing to join the contribution, if it be made by a rate on the whole town; others think the town is not charged, as being no member of Yarmouth, and owning only fishing boats. Lowestoft, Feb.* 25.

26. II. *Mayor of Orford to the Same. The inhabitants of Orford will contribute if they are considered members of Yarmouth, which they must be if Aldborough be so accounted. Orford, Feb.* 27.

26. III. *Bailiffs of Aldborough to the Same. Will not contribute with Yarmouth, being no member thereof, and having no trade to the south; but will contribute their small proportion by themselves, if required. Aldborough, March* 1.

26. IV. *Hen. Fearnes and others, inhabitants of Walberswick, to the Same. Are no member of Yarmouth, and therefore will not pay as such; but are willing to contribute by themselves, though having no trade except to the north. Walberswick, March* 1.

26. V. *Reynold Hopley to the Same. The people of Southwold will not contribute with Yarmouth, being no member of their port, and trading only to the north. Are very poor, but if required will raise a small contribution by themselves. Southwold, March* 2.

26. VI. *Inhabitants of Cley to the Same. Send their free contribution, though very poor. Cley next the Sea, March* 2.

March 12. Newmarket. Proclamation that, on account of the large number of offenders against the former proclamations about buildings, the pulling down of such buildings would cause great devastation, and therefore

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Commissioners are appointed to compound with offenders, and to give licence for enlarging foundations, where uniformity so requires; but no timber is to be used in the fronts of buildings. With extract from the former proclamation of regulations for buildings. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 67.]

March 13. 27. Robt. Heath, Recorder of London, and others, to [the Council]. Certify the fitness of Hen. Lightwood, convicted of felony, to be transported to foreign parts.

March 13. 28. Appointment, by John Lord Stanhope, of John Latham to be Postmaster of Berwick, in reversion after Hen. Shafton, now post there.

March 13. 29. Examination of Nic. Archer, of Saltwood, Kent. Heard Mr. Cranmer, of Chepsted, Kent, say it was reported that the Lord Warden had committed suicide, and that the Earl of Dorset was to be Warden; also, that almost all the powder in Dover Castle was ashes and sand.

March 14. 30. Examination of Nich. Duke, of Folkestone. Heard and repeated a report that the Lord Warden had poisoned himself.

March 14. 31. Examinations of Thos. Harlow and Barth. Barton, of Faversham. Heard Rich. Castle say that the Lord Warden had died a strange death, as many of the great ones do, and that had the Spaniards come, the English would have had their throats cut, most of the gunpowder barrels at Dover being filled with sand.

March 14. 32. Examination of Rich. Castle. Heard the reports about the Lord Warden, which he repeated, from —— Jenvy, of Canterbury.

March 15. Commission to the Lord Chancellor and others, to inquire of new buildings in London and Middlesex, or within seven miles thereof, and to compound with offenders. [*Grant Bk., p.* 238.]

March 16. Chester. 33. Mayor of Chester to the Council. Carnarvon and Beaumaris, members of the port of Chester, have but one ship, and Chester has none, trading only in small barks. Liverpool refuses to appear or to reply to the summons; fears, therefore, that the contribution against pirates will not reach a fifth of the 100*l.* required.

March 16. Wisbeach. 34. Commissioners of Sewers of Northamptonshire, &c., to the Same. Are comforted by their letters of March 9. Detail the counter proceedings of the Commissioners of Cambridgeshire and Ely, who have summoned a sessions when they cannot attend, and wish to get possession of all the records. No quietness can be had until the duplicate commission is revoked.

March 16. 35. Sir Sebastian Harvey, Lord Mayor of London, and the Aldermen, to the Same. Recommend the petition of the inhabitants of Southwark, against a road leading from Southwark to two new inns on the Bankside. The road, proving a ready escape for malefactors out of the city, and injurious to the borough, was closed, but

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re-opened on their Lordships' order, given on a petition from the two innkeepers in question, and a few others. *Inclose,*

35. 1. *Petition of the Inhabitants of Southwark to [the Lord Mayor, &c. of London], with reasons in its favour, for the barring-up of the above-named road, the two new inns to which it leads proving very prejudicial to the borough, which consists chiefly of innkeepers, and has paid more subsidies than any town except London.*

[March 16.] 36. Petition of Robt. Jones to the Council, to be discharged or admitted to bail, recapitulating the substance of his former petition. [*See Jan.* 20, *supra.*]

March 16. London. 37. Sir Gerard Herbert to Carleton. The Queen is much lamented, having benefitted many and injured none; she died most willingly, and was more comely in death then ever in life. The King has given to Lord Haddington 12,000*l.* out of her jointure, to Sir Geo. Goring 3,000*l.* for eleven years, and to Lord Doncaster the making of a Baron.

March 17. London. 38. Sir Thos. Edmondes to [the Same]. The Queen's last illness; she had no pain, and therefore postponed settling her affairs; she answered yea to a question whether the Prince should inherit all, after paying her debts and relieving her servants, but it is not thought the King will consent, her property in goods, jewels, &c. being worth 200,000*l.*; she is brought to Denmark House, and watched by her ladies. Difficulty in settling the disputes between the East India Company and the Holland Commissioners, and also those relating to the Greenland fishery. Lord Doncaster preparing for Germany.

March 18. Pool. 39. Mayor of Pool to the Council. Their whole trade, with one exception, is in the Newfoundland fishery. Cannot raise 100*l.*, as required, for suppression of pirates, but will raise 50*l.*, if authorized to assess and levy it themselves.

March 19. Whitehall. 40. The Council to Lord Zouch. The expedition against pirates is not, as intimated in the letter of the Cinque Ports, for the benefit of London only, but of commerce generally, 400 sail of the western ports having been taken within four years; are surprised that the ports should grudge 100 nobles a year, for two years, in such a cause; will not abate a penny of the requisition.

March 19. London. 41. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. The Queen signed a suit for payment of her debts, but no will; she verbally left all to the Prince, but the King thinks he himself ought to be heir, as nearest to her, and the Prince is willing to yield, if the wish comes only from his father. Fleet preparing against the pirates; Lord Southampton is to have the offer of commanding it; the King has granted him 1,200*l.* a year out of the Alienation Office.

March 19. Friday. London. 42. Sir Gerard Herbert to the Same. Sir Edw. Herbert is going to France, and his brother Harry is gone to prepare for him. The [Queen's] funeral is to be on April 29. Lord Lisle going away with Lord Doncaster. The King detained with a sore foot.

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March 19. London. 43. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir Thos. Lake and his Lady are close prisoners in the Tower. Lady Roos grows impatient of restraint, and begins to tell all she knows. Sir Thos. Lake, jun., conceals himself to escape his fine, but his land is seized for it. Carleton's friends were in great hope that he would have been chosen Secretary. Naunton stays with the King at Newmarket. A proclamation talked of, to reassure the people about the Spanish preparations. Proclamations for buildings, weights and measures, horse meat, &c. come out daily for the good of the subject, but they are not believed in, or the good not acknowledged. The Queen's funeral deferred till the 29th, and meanwhile the players forbidden to act. Burbage, the great actor, dead, worth 300*l.* in land. Death of Sir Wm. Clopton, who married young Palavicino's widow, the Earl of Exeter's grandchild. Panic in Bermondsey Church. The Archbp. of Spalato preached well and gravely in the Italian Church. The King of Denmark expected, &c.

[March.] Epitaph on Rich. Burbage, the actor. [*Imperfect MSS., Jac. I., No. 2, fol.* 28.]

March 20. Westminster. 44. Abraham Williams to Carleton. The French King wishes to send the Conte de Tilliers to rectify misunderstandings, and Sir Edw. Herbert is to go Ambassador to France. Jonas Carisius remains in England until the arrival of Sinclair. The King promises to settle the East Indian dispute. The States' Commissioners complain of our merchants. The King is kept away by a pain in his foot. The Queen's funeral will cost 24,000*l.*—more than Prince Henry's, which was 15,600*l.*, or Queen Elizabeth's, which was 18,000*l.*

March 20. Exeter. 45. Mayor of Exeter to the Council. The merchants allege their small number, their trade only to Bretagne and the north of Spain, &c., as reasons against a large contribution for suppressing pirates; also that in 1588, the two ships and pinnance demanded from them were allowed to be raised by a tax on all the divisions of Devon near Exeter; has overruled these objections, and the 500*l.* is ready, only they intreat the same licence as is given to other seaports, to tax for it all merchants who export or import from thence.

March [20?] Ludlow Castle. 46. The Earl of Northampton, President, and the Council of Wales to the Commissioners of the Treasury. Hugh Handley is not able to come up with the pursuivant, on account of his public duties, but shall appear in Easter week.

March 20. East Retford. 47. Commissioners of Musters for Nottinghamshire to the Council. Have held the musters, supplied all defects, raised money for powder, &c., repaired the beacons, and charged the bands to be ready on ten days' warning.

March 22. Dartmouth. 48. Mayor of Dartmouth to Sir Thos. Edmondes. Has imprisoned an Englishman who is a dangerous Romanist, a priest, a great scholar, and apt to seduce Englishmen. *Incloses,*

48. I. *The Same to the Council. Has imprisoned John Davis, son of Wm. Davis, of Gracious Street, London, just come*

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from Spain, for not taking the Oath of Allegiance, and for affirming the Pope to be the sole authority in ecclesiastical matters in England. He had a letter from a friar to Sir Thos. Cornwallis. Dartmouth, March 22.

March 22. Grant to Abm. Jacobs of all increase of subsidies on tobacco, for five years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 267.]

March 22. Dover. 49. Wm. Ward to Lord Zouch. Proceedings in appointing captains over the select and general bands, in different towns of the Cinque Ports, &c.

March 23. Grays' Inn. 50. Sir Hen. Yelverton to Sir Clement Edmondes. Can find no fault with John Holter; but, to satisfy the Mayor of Hastings, has bound him over to appear when required. *Incloses,*

50. 1. *Examination of John Holter, of Lewes. Never told Rich. Staplus that he knew a secret concerning the Spaniards, nor that he had revealed any state secret. Gave information when he heard that Mr. Gage had six or seven loads of armour concealed. One Isaac, of Firle, in Sussex, near Mr. Gage, is imprisoned for saying he would take the part of the Pope or King of Spain against the King, though Gage offered* 400*l. to keep him from trial. Is a Protestant and a Churchman. March* 23.

March 24. Newcastle-on-Tyne. 51. Mayor, &c. of Newcastle to the Council. Have assessed the merchants severally, at their own request, for the contribution of 300*l.* against pirates. Have made up and send 150*l.*, and request authority to compel those who are assessed and slow of payment to bring in their money.

March 25. Southampton. 52. Mayor of Southampton to the Same. The merchants have added 50*l.* to their contribution of 100*l.* for suppressing pirates. Beg this may be accepted, as they are too poor to raise the 300*l.* required.

March 25. Winchelsea. 53. Muster roll of the band of select footmen in the town of Winchelsea.

March 27. London. 54. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Queen's funeral postponed, because the Master of the Wardrobe will not pay double prices, as usually charged now, for want of ready money. The ladies are weary of watching at Denmark House, where is a greater concourse than in her life. Her jewels rated at 400,000*l.*, plate 90,000*l.*, ready money 80,000 jacobuses, beside a costly wardrobe. The King saves 60,000*l.* a year, the cost of her diet, 24,000*l.*, her jointure, and 13,000*l.* allowed her on sugars and cloths. The will proves to be nothing. Had she lived, the King of Denmark, who rose in her favour lately, would have been executor. Lady Suffolk pleads illness, and defers her answer in the Star Chamber. Death of the new-made Earl of Warwick. Mr. Wake has behaved foolishly in his employment. The King had a violent fit of the stone; the people were generally concerned for his safety. A mistaken firing of the beacons in Sussex and Kent showed the readiness of the country to arm.

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March 27. Great Almonry, Westminster. 55. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The King has had three fits of the stone, but is now pronounced out of danger. Naunton seems not to object to Carleton's request of having the making of an Earl or Baron, as it will take nothing from the King, but the wants are so pressing that his allowances cannot yet be paid.

March 27. Chester. 56. Mayor of Chester to the Council. Will raise the money for suppression of pirates as soon as possible, but cannot have it ready by April 1, some of the places being remote.

March 27. Westminster. Grant to John Hemings, Rich. Burbage, Hen. Condall, John Lowen, Nich. Tooley, John Underwood, Nathan Field, Robt. Benfield, Robt. Gough, Wm. Ecclestone, Rich. Robinson, and John Shancks, and their associates, of licence to act comedies, tragedies, histories, &c. for the solace and pleasure of the King and his subjects, at the Globe, Bankside, co. Surrey, and at their private house in the precincts of Blackfriars, and other places. [*Sign Man., vol.* X. *No.* 1.]

March 29. Dover. 57. Wm. Ward to Lord Zouch. Forwards letters from Rochelle for Sir Robt. Naunton, ordered to be delivered at once.

March 29. Dover. 58. The Same to the Same. Most of the Cinque Port towns have agreed to raise their contributions [against pirates] as required. Completion of the musters. The officers for sweeping anchors have not done their duty; has provided a boat to do it effectually. Will preserve to his Lordship his rights. Asks instructions about Duck, now prisoner in the Castle.

March ? 59. Petition of Wm. Duck, of Folkestone, to the Same, for order against John Wafred, servant of John Heardson, of Folkestone, for illegally arresting him when on musters.

March 30. London. 60. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. The King has been dangerously ill; he sent for all the Court that were at Royston, and, excluding all but Privy Councillors, made a very religious and wise speech to them and the Prince.

March 30. London. 61. Sir Jas. Sempill to the Same. Is glad to hear of Bp. [Carleton's] behaviour at the Synod. Will send him a book of tithes, which the Bp. of London has consigned to the press, &c.

March 30. 62. Muster roll of the trained bands of the town of Folkestone.

March 31. Fordwich. 63. Muster roll of the footmen of the town of Fordwich, a member of Sandwich.

March ? 64. Muster roll of the soldiers, armed men, and armour of Deal and Walmer, two members of Sandwich.

March ? 65. Muster roll of the selected band of Faversham.

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March 31. Wigan. 66. Deputy Lieutenants of Lancashire to Sir Robt. Naunton. Transmit a letter containing seditious matter, which was brought to them on meeting for the musters. Have imprisoned, till further directions, old Mason, father of the writer, who himself resides in London. *Inclose,*

66. I. *Matt. Mason to his Father and Mother. Changes in England portended. Miraculous appearance at Newmarket of a sword and hand, rising out of the ground and striking at the King, who went to see it, and has kept his chamber ever since. March* 12, 1619. *London.*

66. II. *Copy of the above.*

66. III. *Examination of Gilbert Mason, of Wigan. Has shown the above letter from his son, who is an apprentice in London, to several persons, but given no copies of it. Goes to church, and receives the communion. Wigan, March* 31.

66. IV. *Examination of Wm. Hyton, of Pemberton, Lancashire, carrier. Delivered the letter from Matt. Mason, who lives at the Falchion, in Poultry, and serves his uncle, who is Chaplain to the Bp. of London; but only heard of its contents a day or two ago. Wigan, March* 31.

66. V. *Examination of Margaret, wife of Gilbert Mason. Has two sons in London, Matthew, and Henry. Peter Greene read Matthew's letter openly in Wigan streets, and then one of her children plastered it on a chest. Wigan, March* 31.

66. VI. *Examination of Peter Greene, of Wigan. Read the above letter, and then returned it. Wigan, March* 31.

March 31. 67. Sir Walter Covert and Sir Thos. Bishop to the Council. Have carefully searched the house of Mr. Gage at Firle, but found no armour excepting some not worth removal. When recusants were disarmed in the late reign, the armour of the house was committed to Sir Mich. Parker, who still retains it. Mr. Gage is not resident in the country now.

March 31. Philip Lane. 68. Lord Zouch to the Mayors and Officers of the Cinque Ports. Letters of assistance for Thos. Turner, of Twickenham, Middlesex, appointed by the Farmers of Customs Deputy Searcher for all the ports of Kent.

March 31. Philip Lane. 69. Warrant [from Lord Zouch] to the Captains and Muster-masters of the Cinque Ports, to discharge Thos. Turner, Deputy of the Farmers of Customs, from personal attendance at musters. With note of similar letter for Thos. Cooper, of Faversham, Deputy of the Farmers of Customs.

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March ? 70. Petition of Barbara Abercromby, one of the late Queen's laundry maids, to the Council, for three years' wages which she is in arrears.

March ? 71. Petition of Edw. Ashburner, Yeoman of the Leash to the late Queen, to the Same, for continuance of the allowance of 30*l.* per ann., which was granted to him by her, for life.

March ? 72. Petition of Dan. Cahell, sworn servant in ordinary of the late Queen, to the Same, for allowance of means competent for his maintenance.

March ? 73. Petition of Thos. Capp and divers others to the Same, for payment of 1,600*l.*, due to them for works executed for the late Queen.

March ? 74. Petition of Thos. Cotes and others, Pages in Ordinary to the late Queen, to the Same, for allowance for their support.

March ? 75. Petition of John Ferris, Master Cook of the late Queen, to the Same, to be taken into the King's service, and to have wages and livery as heretofore.

March ? 76. Petition of Melcom Groate, Musician for Scotch Music to the late Queen, to the Same, for competent relief.

March ? 77. Petition of Ralph Holland to the King, to be admitted as Page of the Robes to His Majesty, which place he held before he was transferred to the service of the late Queen.

March ? 78. Petition of Hen. Martin, Serjeant Trumpeter, to the Same, for a lease in reversion of part of the manor of Hampton in Arden, which had belonged to his family, but which he had been obliged to sell, to pay the expenses of travelling in the King's service. *Annexing,*

78. I. *Inducements to grant the above petition, viz., the petitioner's twenty-four years' good service under Queen Elizabeth, having a horse killed under him in making proclamation against the Earl of Essex; attending the King, Queen and Prince into England, the Lord Admiral to Spain, Lady Elizabeth to Germany, and the King to Scotland. The manor was part of Queen Anne's jointure, and her Council recommended his suit.* [*See Feb.* 28, 1616.]

March ? 79. Petition of John Newe, Groom of the Robes to the late Queen, to the King, for confirmation of His Majesty's former grant, continuing his allowance of 40*l.* per ann., for life.

March ? 80. Petition of Thos. Newman, Clerk of the late Queen's Council, to the Council. Has disbursed upwards of 530*l.* in procuring his place, spent much money in defending his right to it, and was always promised promotion by the Queen; prays for some compensation, &c.

March ? 81. Duplicate of the above.

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March ? 82. Petition of Thos. Patten, Clerk of the Closet to the late Queen, to the Council. Has lost his office, worth 100*l.* per ann., and prays for remuneration.

March ? 83. Petition of Hans Popilman, Master Cook to the late Queen, to the King, to have wages and entertainment jointly with His Majesty's cook.

March ? 84. Petition of Thos. Higginson and Robt. Laverock, Grooms in Ordinary of the late Queen's Chamber, to the Commissioners for compensation to her servants, for a pension.

March ? 85. Petition of the Same to the Same, to the same effect. [*See July* 10.]

March ? 86. Petition of Cuthbert Tooley, Surgeon to the late Queen, to the Council. Abandoned his practice to give continual attendance on Her Majesty; prays for remuneration.

March ? 87. Petition of John Steward, Gentleman Usher of the late Queen, to the Same, for remuneration for loss of office.

March ? 88. Petition of Chris. Mills, Clerk of the late Queen's Wardrobe, to the Same, to the same purport.

March ? 89. Petition of Martin Seck, servant of the King of Denmark, to the Same. Being sent by the King of Denmark to learn the art of sounding the trumpet from one of the late Queen's trumpeters, prays for allowance to defray his travelling charges home.

March ? 90. Petition of Blanche Swansted, Tire Woman in Ordinary to the late Queen, to the King, for a competent pension, having lost her former customers by attendance on Her Majesty.

March ? 91. Note of such payments to the servants of the late Queen as were made by the Treasurer of the King's Chamber.

March ? 92. List of the late Queen's servants whose wages and board wages were paid by the Cofferer, out of the household assignment.

March ? 93. Book of the names of the late Queen's officers and servants, the time they served her, their yearly wages, and the rewards they had received.

March ? 94. Extracts from the book of commissions, &c., of the late Queen, giving the lists of commissioners and dates of commissions for managing her revenue, making leases, taking the Treasurer's accounts, &c., and also the dates of appointments of several of her officers.

March ? 95. Points to be considered by the late Queen's Council, in reference to the settlement of her accounts, payment of her debts, &c.

March ? Grant to Sir Art. Ingram and Geo. Lowe, of the carriage of all alum from the works in Dorsetshire and Yorkshire. [*Sign Man.*, *vol.* X., *No.* 2.]

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1619. [March.] 96. Objections as to the validity of Dr. Gosling's election [as Master of Gonville and Caius College, Cambridge]. With answers thereto.

March. 97. Petition of Lord Cromwell to the Council, that his pay and that of his ensign may not be stopped, as ordered by the Officers of Musters in Ireland, on account of his three half-years' absence in England.

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April 1. Whitehall. Sir Robt. Naunton to Carleton. The King's long and dangerous sickness unfitted him for business; he is now out of danger, his sleep and appetite returning, but he still needs repose. Requests Carleton to contradict the false reports of his death that have been spread abroad. [*Holl. Corresp., April* 1, 1619.]

April 1. Tyringham. 1. Sir Art. Tyringham to the Same. Will offer no more condolences on his mischance [failure of the Secretaryship]; doubts not the continuance of his favour towards him.

April 1. Edinburgh. 2. Sir Wm. Balfour to the Same. Has been detained by his affairs in Scotland, but is returning to London, and will do him any service in his power.

April 1 ? 3. Petition of Chris. Cresacre Moore, of Low Layton, co. Essex, to the Council, for licence to go to places more remote from London than the place to which he is confined as a recusant.

April 1. 4. Muster roll of the selected band of the town and port of Dover.

April 1. 5. Muster roll of the general band of Dover.

April 1. Lydd. 6. Muster roll of captains, officers, soldiers, and of all who are charged to provide armour in the town of Lydd.

April 1. Pevensey. 7. Muster roll of the general band of the town and league of Pevensey.

April 1. 8. Muster roll of the band of the town and port of Hythe.

April 1. 9. Muster roll of the Selected Companies of the parishes of St. John, St. Peter, and Birchington, Isle of Thanet.

April 2. 10. Muster roll of the General Company of the parishes of St. John, St. Peter, and Birchington, in the Isle of Thanet.

April 2. 11. Muster roll of the General Band of Seaford.

April 2. Sandwich. 12. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to Lord Zouch. Have imprisoned Luke Ford, an Irishman, who endeavoured to pass in a Flemish boat for Ostend, and refused the Oath of Allegiance. Send papers found upon him.

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April 2. Chester. 13. Mayor, &c. of Chester to the Council. Sixty chief persons of the city have deliberated on the case of Thos. Burchley, and decided, that, according to their ancient customs, he cannot exercise any other trade, having been admitted into the Company of Embroiderers.

April 3. Beakesbourne. 14. Muster roll of the arms and able men within the town of Beakesbourne.

April 4. 15. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. Public thanks given at St. Paul's for the King's recovery; he is still very weak, and will long be confined to Theobalds; expecting to die, he commended to the Prince many of the Lords, as Buckingham, for his love to himself; Digby, because he suffered for the Spanish match, in which all was done by his own direction, and especially the Lord Chamberlain. The preparing of the King's ships is at a stay, though the merchants do not know it.

[April 4.] Sunday after Easter, London. 16. Sir Gerard Herbert to the Same. The King expected to die; the Lord Chamberlain writes that he never heard such wise or divine speeches as he made. Lady Barbara Sydney, a modest sweet young lady, married to Thos. Smythe, who has 4,500*l.* a year.

April 5. London. 17. John Keymer to the Same. Sec. Naunton says, he thinks Carleton the ablest minister the King has abroad. Has complained to him that Carleton's allowance is almost comsumed in interest before he receives it, and urged his having the making of an Earl or Baron, which would yield him 10,000*l.*, and cost the King nothing, which Naunton approved.

April 5. 18. Muster roll of the Select and Trained Band of Sandwich.

April 5? 19. Muster roll of the General and Untrained Band of Sandwich.

April 5. Chester. 20. The Earl of Derby to the Council. The musters in Lancashire, Cheshire, and City of Chester have been held, but there are many defects, and much of the armour is imperfect or rusty. *Incloses,*

20. I. *Deputy Lieutenants of Cheshire to the Earl of Derby. Notwithstanding their care in giving notice of the musters of that county, there were many absentees and defaulters. Chelford, April* 1.

20. II. *Note of all who were defaulters at the musters of the county and city of Chester, with the horse and arms wherewith they stand charged.*

20. III. *Deputy Lieutenants of Lancashire to the Same. Have held the musters of that county, supplied defects in the trained bands, and improved the armour. The horse are sufficiently prepared. Their former certificates represent not things as they ought to be, as the Council suspects, but as they really are. The people are willing and obedient. The beacons prepared. Wigan, April* 1.

April 5. Meppershall. 21. The Earl of Kent to the Council. Has mustered the forces of Bedfordshire, completed the trained bands, improved the armour, seen

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to the powder and beacons, and mustered the clergy, according to a list given by the Bishop. Sir Wm. Plomer, Jas. Beverley, and Eliz. Waferer, widow, a recusant, all charged to find lances, are notorious defaulters, and deserve punishment.

April 5. Liverpool. 22. Mayor, &c. of Liverpool to the Council. Excuse themselves for not attending the summons of the Mayor of Chester, on an order from Council, the order being addressed only to the port and members of Chester, and Liverpool having never been a member thereof; are ready to perform their part in this or any other service, and to try by law their right to independence of Chester.

April 5. Dover. 23. Peter Eaton to Capt. Jas. Barker. Has been chosen churchwarden; his place exempts him now from serving, as it did on a former occasion. Asks directions from Lord [Zouch].

April 5. Grant to John Bigg of the benefit of a recognizance forfeited by John Cotton, and his sureties, for his misbehaviour. [*Grant Bk., p.* 285.]

April 5. Licence to Wm. Bennett and others, to make and sell gold and silver thread, for three years. [*Ibid., p.* 285.]

April 6. Grant to [Sir] Albert Morton of the office of Clerk of the Privy Council, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 277.]

April 6. Arundel. 24. Justices of Sussex to the Council. Formerly gave Art. Wood, a maimed soldier, 7*l.* in lieu of further pension; should they allow him a pension now, others would also claim it, and the country be overburdened.

April 6. Tavistock. 25. Earl of Bath to the Same. Has mustered the forces of his lieutenancy in one day, to prevent abuses by secret borrowing of arms; finds a few defaulters in the trained bands, which are to be re-mustered to supply them. Great lack of arms in the untrained bands.

April 7. Dover. 26. Wm. Ward to Lord Zouch. Sends the muster rolls for the Cinque Ports. Will bring up the 100*l.* contribution, which is paid in.

April 7. Derby. 27. Commissioners of Musters for Derbyshire to the Council. Have held the musters and completed the trained bands, but the horse are very defective, through deaths and removals. Have viewed the arms of the clergy, who promise to supply defects; have provided powder, &c.

April 7. Letley. 28. The Earl of Hertford to the Same. At the musters in Somersetshire, Wiltshire, and Bristol, the foot companies are made complete, the horse are defective through non-residence. The beacons are furnished, and order taken to replace the old powder, &c.

April 8. Philip Lane, London. 29. [Lord Zouch] to the [Mayor, &c. of Dover?]. Warrant to discharge Peter Eaton, a soldier of Arch-cliff Bulwark, Dover, from serving the office of churchwarden.

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April 9. Bishop's Palace, Norwich. 30. John Overall, Bp. of Norwich, to the Council. Vindicates himself from the charges of Mingay and Haward, who have abused their offices as registrars, &c., and unjustly claim the Registrarship in Visitations, as well as that of the Consistory and Audience Courts granted by their patent.

April 9. 31. Note of the amount of customs, both export and import, paid at Bristol, Exeter, Barnstaple, Weymouth, and Lyme, from 1613 to 1615.

April 10. Custom House, London. 32. Sir John Wolstenholme and Sir Nich. Salter to Sir Clement Edmondes. The reason of the large assessment on Bristol is that those ports were to levy most [for suppressing pirates] who traded most into the Levant seas, of which ports Bristol is the principal.

April 10. London. 33. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King being seriously ill, settled his affairs, made an excellent speech to the Prince before the Lords, commending several to him, especially Buckingham and Hamilton, and praising Lord Digby as an able man, but envied; he charged the Prince to respect religion and the bishops. The Council dine to-morrow with the Bishop of London, who is to give thanks at Paul's Cross for His Majesty's recovery. Death of Earl Home, who married Lord Dudley's daughter. The Earl of Suffolk only escapes answering interrogatories by Dr. Poe's affidavit of his unfitness. Mr. Wake returns from Royston knighted.

April 10. Lincoln. 34. Mayor of Lincoln to the Council. The wool-dealers of Lincoln are willing to admit Wm. Cooke, appointed by the Woolstaplers' Company, as Weigher of Wools in Lincoln, though by their ancient customs, the weigher should be elected by the council of the city. Request regard to their privileges, and also that the woolstaplers may reduce the rates of admission into the company, which are so high that none in Lincoln can become freemen of it.

April 13. Rye. 35. Mayor of Rye to Lord Zouch. Nich. de Bré, of Somme, a Frenchman, was taken, with his men, fishing in the Sowe, without a licence, and with unlawful nets.

April 13. Lyme-Regis. 36. Mayor of Lyme-Regis to the Council. Thanks of the merchants that the inland merchants trading from that port are to pay their share towards the contribution against pirates. Requests authority to stay all goods for export or import, until the owners have compounded for their shares. Will forward the moneys as soon as possible, but hopes not to be compelled to advance them, the town being too poor to borrow.

April 13. Canterbury. 37. Mayor of Canterbury to the Archbp. of Canterbury. Edw. Foster, of Cosmus Bleane, near Canterbury, uttered scandalous words in an alehouse; Lord Wotton desires his Grace to be informed thereof. *Incloses,*

37. I. *Deposition of Wm. Buckhurst. Heard Goodman Foster, servant of Lady Roper, when reproached that his lady was a Papist, wish all the Protestants in England hanged, and say that half the Council were Papists.*

37. II. *Memorandum by John Ashenden, to the same effect.*

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April 13. 38. Certificate by the Commissioners for Buildings, of new buildings erected at the Minories near the Tower, contrary to proclamation.

April 14. Hampton Court. 39. Earl of Nottingham to [the Heralds?]. Has lost their letter of opinions on his wife's precedency, with the precedents therefor; begs they will send him another, Buckingham having asked to see it; is sure the wife must take her husband's place, unless where he has precedence by office.

[April.] 40. [The Heralds?] to the Earl of Nottingham. Are unable to comply with his request, the Commissioners for the Earl Marshalship having forbidden them to give their opinions in any matter of honour, without orders from them.

April 14. 41. [Lord Zouch to the Mayor of Sandwich.] To send the Minister of the town to persuade Luke Ford to take the Oath of Allegiance, and, if he comply, to liberate him, his papers containing nothing mischievous. [*See April* 2.]

April 15. 42. [The Same] to the Mayor [of Rye]. Instructions for proceedings against the Frenchman taken fishing without licence; he and his men are to be closely questioned on their proceedings; and he and two of the chief kept in convenient lodging and safe custody at Rye, till the meeting of an Admiralty Court; the others to be dismissed.

April 15. Bridewell, London. 43. Certificates by the Governors and Treasurer of Bridewell, that Mat. Mason, sent to them by the Council, has been whipped for uttering false and seditious news concerning the King and the realm, and is kept prisoner, April 13 and 15.

April 15. Dartmouth. 44. Warrant of the Mayor of Clifton Dartmouth Hardnes, co. Devon, committing John Davis to the custody of John and And. Beere, to be conveyed to Whitehall, and delivered to the Council, according to their order, and charging all officers, &c. to aid and assist them therein.

April 15. Dunnington. 45. Earl of Huntingdon to the Council. At the musters in Leicestershire and Rutlandshire, the foot were complete; gave twenty days' grace to eleven defaulters in the horse. *Incloses,*

45. I. *List of such persons as neglected to find horses for the musters, viz., thirteen in Leicestershire, and three in Rutlandshire. March* 31.

45. II. *Copy of the portion of the above relating to Leicestershire, with slight differences. March* 31.

45. I. *Note of particulars, in which the Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire and Rutlandshire desires to be informed, in reference to the clergy musters, training of the forces, dealing with concealed recusants who keep arms, &c.*

April 16. Bishop's Palace, Norwich. 46. Bp. of Norwich to the Same. Stands charged with having improperly felled woods in Horning Park; has done it only for fuel for his own house, the trees being small, and not timber trees.

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April 16. Bishop's Palace, Norwich. 47. Bp. of Norwich to Sir Robt. Naunton and Sir Fulk Greville, on the same subject. Hopes his adversaries will not be allowed to tread him down in this time of sickness.

April 16. Newcastle. 48. Mayor, &c. of Newcastle-upon-Tyne to the Council. Send the names of those who refuse to pay the assessment towards the suppression of pirates, and request a warrant to compel them. *Incloses,*

48. I. "*Names of those that refuse to pay the sessment.*" *Newcastle-upon-Tyne.*

April 16. Plymouth. 49. Mayor of Plymouth to the Same. The Merchants and Shipowners profess inability to pay one third of the 1,000*l.* required for suppressing pirates, on account of their losses, and expense in defending the town against invasion, in redeeming many poor captains of the port, &c.

April 16. 50. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. The King able to sit up a short time, but he does little business, and packets a month old lie unopened. The Queen's funeral deferred, because, as the King and Prince's servants are to go into mourning, credit for so much black is not to be had.

April 17. London. 51. Chamberlain to the Same. At the Bp. of London's sermon at Paul's Cross, on the King's recovery, the Mayor and Aldermen, all the City Companies, the Council, and most of the nobility were present. Death of Dr. Fotherby, Dean of Canterbury. An Ambassador has arrived from the Archduke. The Lord Chancellor is very tender of his health. The King mends apace, and is removing to Theobalds. Sir Isaac Wake prepares to go to the Princes of the Union; he has got his entertainment doubled, 500*l.* for his journey, &c.

April 18. Eton. 52. Sir Hen. Savile to the Same. Some persons have misrepresented Carleton and his wife to the King; others say he does not give full information of Holland business. Advises them to send letters or presents to Thos. Murray and Sir Jas. Fullerton, or their wives.

April 18. Whitehall. 53. The Council to Lord Zouch. The King determines, for reasons best known to himself, to postpone the expedition against pirates; the money raised by the Cinque Ports is to be reserved, and the collection to proceed, that it may be ready when required.

April 18. London. 54. John Hayward to the Same. Is obliged to sell his house in Philip Lane, where Lord Zouch lives. Offers it to him for 2,500*l.* If he will not buy it, requests him to relinquish it.

April 19. 55. Estimate, by Inigo Jones and others, of the whole charges for rebuilding the Banquetting House, Whitehall, 110 feet long, 55 feet broad, &c.; total, 9,850*l.*

April 19. Baynard's Castle. 56. Mary Lady Wroth to Carleton. Thanks for favours. Would gladly have visited him, but crosses ever occur to prevent her desires.

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April 20. 57. Instructions to the Auditors, Receivers, and Surveyors of the Revenues, for the more perfect accounting for certain and casual revenues in future; viz., preparation of rental books; yearly delivery of court rolls; keeping of the certain and casual revenues in distinct accounts; preventing arrears, &c.

April 20. 58. Articles of agreement between the Commissioners for the Navy and Wm. Burrell, authorized by the King to superintend the building of ships, for building two ships of war of 650 and 450 tons; total cost, 8,575*l.*

April 20. 59. Copy of the above. Attested by Burrell.

April 20. 60. List of deputies employed by the Farmers of Customs, to inspect the taking up of merchants' goods at the waterside in London.

April 20. Wrest. 61. The Earl of Kent to the Council. Has received satisfactory answers from Jas. Beverley as to his default at musters, and therefore requests that he may not be proceeded against. [Signed with a fac-simile stamp.]

April 20? 62. Petition of Thos. Hodson to the Same. Sir Hen. Anderton calls in question the lawfulness of his office as Muster-master of Durham, to which he was appointed by recommendation of the King and Council. Judge Hutton says it rests on the King's prerogative, which the best man on the Bench ought not to meddle with; but the Bp. of Durham hesitates to give a warrant for his fees. Requests payment of arrears due for time past, and directions for the continuance of his office.

April 20? 63. Copy of the above. *Incloses,*

63. 1. *Sir Geo. Freville and others to the Bp. of Durham. Think the office of Muster-master necessary; and certify the sufficiency of Capt. Hodson, who has been Muster-master eight years. Durham Castle, April* 20.

[April 21.] 64. Petition of the University and Town of Cambridge, and the Commissioners of Sewers of Cambridgeshire and the Isle of Ely, to the Council. The other Commissioners having obtained a repeal of the order for stay of the recent acts prejudicial to Cambridgeshire, pray a speedy hearing to the exceptions of the petitioners against the above measures, and that in the meantime, the new works and cuts upon the Rivers Grant and Ouse may be stayed.

April 21. London. 65. Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Thos. Lowe, and Sir Wm. Cockayne, to the Same. The merchants of the several companies entreat that, as the ships intended against the pirates are dismissed, the collection may cease, and the money gathered be returned. They pledge themselves to have the 18,000*l.* assigned to them ready within a short time, when the expedition proceeds.

April 21. 66. Petition of the Bailiffs, Jurats, &c. of the Cinque Ports to the Same. Represent the injury they receive by certain Merchant Companies of London, who will not allow other merchants to export

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cloth from their ports as before, nor even themselves to export their own baize, says, &c. Request redress thereon, according to their charter, the Cinque Ports being so burdened with charges for defence, maintenance of sea-walls, &c., that all their merchants will remove, if their trade is drawn away to London. With reference thereon to the Merchant Adventurers and Farmers of the Customs.

April 23. Newcastle. 67. Mayor, &c. of Newcastle-upon-Tyne to the Council. Appoint Claudius Delavale to receive back the moneys paid by the town towards the contribution against pirates. Will proceed in their collections, and have all in readiness when required.

April 23. 68. Petition of Rich. Dawkes, Jurat of Dover, to Lord Zouch, that the suit between him and Stephen Marsh, of Martin, co. Kent, for breach of covenants of apprenticeship, decided against him by common law, but renewed before the Chancery Court of Dover, may be referred to some indifferent person. With report thereon. [*See June 2, infra.*]

April 24. Discharge from imprisonment for Wm. Brooke and his wife, notwithstanding their offences in refusing the Oath of Allegiance. [*Grant Bk., p.* 283.]

April 24. London. 69. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King removed from Royston to Ware, being carried part of the way by the guard, in a Neapolitan portative chair, given him by Lady Hatton, and the rest in a litter; he came the next day in the same way to Theobalds; weak as he was, he would have his deer mustered before him. The delay in the Queen's funeral causes remarks; the charge is to be more than three times that of Queen Elizabeth's, though money is so scarce that her plate will have to be coined. Contests for precedency among the Lady mourners; the Countess of Nottingham pleads precedency over all others, by the terms of her husband's grant, on surrender of the Admiralty, to be the first Earl in England. Sir Thos. Lake has more liberty in the Tower, through the mediation of his brother, the Bp. of Bath and Wells. Farewell feasts to the Commissioners of the States. The treaty broken off about the Moluccas. Archbp. Abbot afflicted with the gout. The Lord Chancellor's slackness causes a rumour that he is to have a Lord Keeper for his coadjutor. Sir Lionel Cranfield is to be sworn of the Council, and Dr. [John] Boyse made Dean of Canterbury. Wm. Lake, one of Sir Thos. Lake's Secretaries, is committed to the Gatehouse, for conveying letters to Lady Roos.

April 24. London. 70. Nath. Brent to [the Same]. Is employed by the Archbp. of Canterbury to translate the story of the Council of Trent. The King's knee still affected by the gout. Lord Doncaster going to Bohemia, Sir Edw. Herbert to France, and Wake by Heidelberg to Turin; he is promised the reversion of Wotton's place at Venice.

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April 24. Westminster. 71. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Private affairs. The East India Company's treaty broken off, because the Dutch will allow them no share in managing the fortifications. Sec. Calvert keeps close to the King, and will have most of the employment.

April 25. Waltham. 72. Jos. Hall, Dean of Worcester, to the Same. Retracts what he said of Macollo. Despotine went away with reward and reputation, though the Great Physician did all. The King's legs still weak. Wishes his pew-fellows of the Synod a speedy return.

April 25. Baynard's Castle. 73. Mary Lady Wroth to the Same. Thanks for favours, and especially for his delicate present.

April 25. Theobalds. 74. Merchants of the Levant and other Companies to [the Council]. Pledge themselves to have 8,500*l.*, their proportion of the contribution for suppressing of pirates, ready at a month's notice, if they may be allowed the disbursing of their own moneys, and setting out their own ships, as promised by the King, the residue of the 18,000*l.* being already settled in the other incorporated companies.

April 25. Whitehall. 75. Sir Benj. Rudyard to Carleton. The funeral of the Queen fixed for the 8th. The old Earl of Nottingham likely to be made Constable of England, that he may preserve his former honour, and have precedence next to the Admiral, &c.

April 25. Langer. 76. Emanuel Lord Scrope to [the Council]. At the musters in Yorkshire so many defects are found, that certificates cannot be returned till time is allowed for supplying the armour, which is scarce. Effective state of the beacons; desires some release for the county from the expense of keeping them always watched.

April 25. 77. Deposition of Hen. Staman, that the musket fired off by Hen. Dewing, jun., at the muster at Belaugh, March 29, 1619, was loaded and fired at his request, in order to try the piece, and was done at a distance from the company.

April 25? 78. Attested deposition of Rich. Buck, that at the musters of March 29, on Belaugh Heath, he resisted the attempt of his captain, Thos. Brown, to take from him his father's musket, which was claimed as belonging to another, but that he offered violence to no one.

April 26. Usk. 79. Deputy Lieutenants of Monmouthshire to the Earl of Worcester, Lieutenant. Have held the musters and supplied at length all defects of men and arms. Hen. Morgan claims exemption from land service, for certain gentlemen, owners of boats between Caerleon and Bristol.

April 26. 80. The King to the Mayor, &c. of Norwich. Commands them to regulate the election of their mayor and principal officers according to the good custom of London, although, by the charter, the election be popular, in order to avoid those differences and promotions of young men above their seniors, which have lately caused disturbance.

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April 27. Yarmouth. 81. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the Council. The town of Woodbridge refuses to obey the summons for contribution to pirates. Think they ought to pay 40*l.*, being richer than their port and all its members put together, and any abatement allowed from that sum would do harm. Beg authority to include the merchants of Norwich trading from Yarmouth in the contribution. Will collect it at once, though the expedition is deferred. *Inclose,*

81. I. *Deposition of Thos. Angell, Constable of Woodbridge, that he acquainted the shipowners of the place with the Council's order, and had it published in church; but the inhabitants totally neglected it. Great Yarmouth, April* 8.

April 27. St. James's. 82. Lord Danvers to Carleton. Visct. Doncaster delayed by letters from the Palgrave and the King's illness. His Majesty is recovered, and Buckingham as happy as ever.

April 28. 83. Signification to [Council] of the consent of the merchants trading to the Levant, Spain, &c. to the offer before made, to be ready at a month's notice with a contribution of 8,500*l.* [*See April* 25.] With note of delivery of the paper to the Board at the Star Chamber.

April 29. Lambeth. 84. Sentence of deprivation, by the Commissioners for Ecclesiastical Causes, of John Eaton, Vicar of Wickham-Market, co. Suffolk, as an incorrigible divulger of errors and false opinions. Latin.

April 30. Great Almonry, Westminster. 85. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Terms asked from Robt. Heath, Recorder of London, who thinks of taking Carleton's house at Imworth. The Queen's funeral is still deferred; there is no money to put the King and Prince's servants in mourning, as intended. Thinks Naunton is trifling, and that Calvert would be more likely to accept Carleton's offer [for the Secretaryship]. A project on foot for a colony on the River Amazon, in which many nobles engage. A madman spoke strangely to the King at Theobalds. Arrival of the Palgrave's Ambassador.

April 30 ? 86. Earl of Southampton to the Same. Has been chosen a Privy Councillor; will rather observe his oath by keeping counsel than giving it. Much is not to be expected from "one vulgar councillor," but will strive to do no hurt.

April 30. 87. Note, by Lord Wm. Howard, of notorious thieves and horse-stealers in Northumberland and Cumberland. Desires letters from the Council for their apprehension.

April ? 88. Return of defaulters at the musters, co. Lincoln.

April ? 89. Robt. Maxwell [to the Council]. Cotton, Serjeant-at-arms, declared that the Keeper of the King's Cormorants had no right to fish with them in other people's streams, every lord of the soil in England being king over his own land.

April ? 90. Duplicate of the above, with statement of Maxwell's further proceedings to bring Cotton to account, for speeches so derogatory to the King's prerogative.

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April? 91. Memorandum [by Sir Thos. Wilson] of the allowances made to officers of the King's works in April 1609, and of certain regulations observed by them.

April? 92. Note of defaulters at the musters in Norfolk.

April? 93. Note of special defaulters at the musters in the city of Norwich.

April? 94. Petition of Hen. Wood, Rider of the King's Hobby Stable, to Buckingham, Master of the Horse, that he may continue in his place, and not be pensioned off with the Queen's servants.

April? 95. Certificate of musters of foot and horse of the county of Huntingdon.

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May 1. Philip Lane, London. 1. Lord Zouch to Sir Clement Edmondes. Requests the Council to solicit the King for two demi-culverins of brass, to be set on the new mount at Dover, being a place where all strangers walk to see the town.

May 1. Haling. 2. The Earl of Nottingham to the Council. Will give directions, according to their order, for discharging certain beacon watches, reserving only those formerly found requisite.

May 1. Chester. 3. Sir Fras. Gofton to Sir Clement Edmondes. Requests him to cite Sir John Bourchier and Mr. Coventry to attend Sir Rich. Sutton and himself, Commissioners to inquire about the reckonings of the alum works.

May 1. 4. Petition of Adam Hill, Page of the Bedchamber, to the King, for a grant of the goods and estate of Robt. Good, of Islip, co. Northampton, forfeited for clipping of coin. With reference and report thereon.

May? 5. Petition of the Same to the Same, for the forfeiture of Nich. Myler, who killed a man in Wexford, Ireland.

May 1. 6. Note of reasons why Lord Walden cannot place men in Tynedale and Riddesdale, &c. as the King desires, they being disfranchised places, and few from other parts willing to dwell there. The chief cause of disorders is their custom of holding their lands as not forfeit for felony or treason; has commenced suits against several thereon.

May 1. Whitehall. 7. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The King had the petition of the person who spoke to him read, and ordered inquiry, whether he have any just cause for the complaint that His Majesty has not done justice to the widow and fatherless. The French Ambassador is to be feasted at Theobalds on Monday. Sir Thos. Lake has liberty of the Tower, but is restrained from the company of his wife and daughter.

May 3. Arundel House. 8. John Wilson to Mr. Wilde. To signify to Sir Clement Edmondes that Bernard Utbert has made his submission, and may be discharged.

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May 3. Chester. 9. Mayor of Chester to the Council. Requests them to enjoin obedience on the towns of Liverpool, Beaumaris, and Carnarvon, who refuse to obey his summons to pay 40*l.* as their fitting contribution against pirates, 60*l.* being levied on Chester. *Incloses,*

9. I. *Particulars collected from the Custom Books of Chester, of the barks belonging to Liverpool, Manchester, Wigan, Beaumaris, Carnarvon, and neighbouring towns.*

May 3. 10. Order in the Star Chamber, refusing the application of the Earl of Suffolk for delay of his cause till Michaelmas term, on plea of time for examination of witnesses in Ireland, so many delays having already occurred; and commanding that all examinations on both sides be ready by the first day of next term.

May 4. London. 11. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. The King is weak in his leg. Williams arraigned for a libelling book cast into Court four years before. The great concourse of Ambassadors leads His Majesty to defray none.

May 4. London. 12. Sir Hen. Savile to the Same. The college of Eton will send for Mr. Hales, unless he returns.

May 4. Chester. 13. The Earl of Derby to the Earl of Pembroke. Requests favour in Council for his servant Massy, returned as a defaulter at musters, because he was unable in time to procure fresh arms, which he has now got.

May 5. 14. Relation of the execution of Williams, for writing a book called Balaam's Ass. He expressed contrition for his saucy meddling with His Majesty, refuted the accusation of atheism, and declared himself a Roman Catholic.

May 5. 15. Note by Lord Wm. Howard, of notorious thieves, in Northumberland and Cumberland, who, he desires, may be arrested by Sir John Fenwick and Sir Wm. Hutton; similar to his note of April 30; with additional reasons for their arrest.

May 5. 16. Sir Edw. Conway to Carleton. Has been out of health. Details the King's admirable conduct in his extreme illness, in supporting his favourites and distinguishing his great servants. Buckingham has a grant out of the Queen's jointure, the largest that has been made for many years. The Earl of Southampton made of the Council by his influence.

May 6. Amsterdam. 17. John Paget to the Same. Requests him to induce Lord Percy, who is at the Hague, to write to a steward of his father, the Earl of Northumberland, in behalf of the bearer, who is in danger of losing some living fallen to him under the Earl, because at the time he was a prisoner under the Turks.

May 8. London. 18. Chamberlain to the Same. The King is still at Theobalds; his health improves. The Queen's funeral will take place on May 13; the streets are already partly railed in. Weeks, who was Secretary to Lord Willoughby in Denmark, is sent to Bedlam, for addressing the King as a prophet sent to admonish him.

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Lady Roos has laid open the whole villainy to the King, but tries to excuse Sir Thos. Lake, who is more closely restrained than before. The French Ambassador, Marquis de Tremouille, has had a friendly and honourable audience. The Virginia Company have made Sir Thos. Smythe Governor, instead of Sir Edwin Sandys.

May 8. London. 19. Nath. Brent to [Carleton]. The King has been out on horseback and in his litter, since he came to Theobalds. The French Ambassador Extraodinary, the Marquis of Tremouille, is lodged in Sir Thos. Smythe's house, and has a train of 120 persons; he was brought to his audience by Buckingham, with more than forty coaches; plate and chains to be bestowed on him, and on the Ambassadors of the Prince Palatine and Archduke. Lord Doncaster has set out for Bohemia; his expenses will be 30,000*l.*, and the Queen's funeral more than 40,000*l.* The King's rejoinders to a pretended prophet. Williams, a Counsellor-at-Law, executed as a traitor, for a libel against His Majesty. The Lord Chancellor increases in favour. Report of the execution of Barnevelt, &c.

May 9. 20. Note of the distribution of 12*l.* to the servants of Archbp. Abbot at the consecration of the Bishops of Oxford, Bristol, and Chester.

May 9. Coventry. 21. Sir Chris. Throgmorton to Thos. Wilson. The object of lawmaking is to stop offences, but when the forfeitures are granted to a suitor, his object is to mutiply them for his own gain. The grant of forfeitures of recognizances will do much damage, especially as the holder of it also receives the rents of alehouse-keepers, with whom the justices have no course but the forfeiture of their recognizances. [*See Jan.* 19, 1619.]

May 11. 22. Petition of the Merchant Strangers to the Council, that on their pledging themselves to pay their proportion towards the contribution [against pirates] at a month's warning, the moneys levied on their goods may be re-delivered, and no more levied. With note of a similar paper delivered to the Lord Treasurer, Jan. 23, 1622.

May 12. St. Katherine's. 23. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Sec. Naunton has subscribed Carleton's bill for the mourning, and is sorry for his loss by want of money, but this is not the time to get it. The King gone from Theobalds to Greenwich. The Prince is come to town on business matters. Mr. Heath declines the house at Imworth.

May 12. 24. Chris. Roper, Lord Teynham, to Lord Zouch. Requests that until the decision of a cause in the Chancery Court at Dover, between himself and others, plaintiffs, and the inhabitants of Fordwich, defendants, as to the right of fishing in the River Stower, either both parties may be restrained from fishing, or both permitted to fish.

May 13. 25. Note of the distribution of cloth allowed for mourning cloaks for the Archbp. of Canterbury and nine servants, at the funeral of the Queen.

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May 13 ? 26. Order by Lord Chamberlain Pembroke, for the delivery of the above cloth.

[May 13.] 27. Account of the projected funeral ceremonial of the Queen; presentation of the offerings, bearing of the banners and bannerolls, &c., corrected as it afterwards took place. Imperfect.

[May 13.] 28. List of the banners and bannerolls to be carried in the funeral procession of the Queen.

May 13. Charing Cross. 29. Earl of Kelly to Lord Zouch. Intreats him to defer the hearing of a cause referred by Council to him and others, concerning the pretension of Northumberland, Cumberland, and Westmoreland, that they are permitted to buy and sell wool; thinks it is contrary to law, and to the patent of the woolstaplers.

May 13. 30. Answers of John Wright and others, defendants, to the information of Sir Hen. Yelverton, Attorney General, on a charge of intruding into certain lands at Havering-atte-Bower, in Essex, claimed by the Crown; showing the titles by which they hold those lands, and disclaiming that the free manor of Havering is confined to the bounds of Waltham Forest.

May 13 ? 31. Proofs, on the King's part, that the manor of Havering, in Waltham Forest, is grown exceedingly great, by encroachments, assarts, and purprestures, since the ancient extent thereof.

May 14. London. 32. Chamberlain to Carleton. The procession at the Queen's funeral was very dull; the Prince rode before the corpse; the hearse was very stately; there were 280 poor women; the Countess of Arundel was chief mourner. The Queen's trunks and jewels brought from Denmark House to Greenwich in four carts; a portion of them given to Buckingham, with the keeping of Denmark House, and 1,200*l.* a year in land, for his attention to the King in his last sickness. The Merchant Strangers are charged with exporting 300,000*l.* in gold. Sir Art. Lake committed to the Tower for perjury. Sir Wm. Barnes deceased, &c.

May 14. 33. Sir Edw. Harwood to the Same. Sir Art. Lake committed to the Tower. The Queen's funeral yesterday was great, but not so splendid as expected.

May 15. London. 34. Nath. Brent to [the Same]. Will send him six copies of the book on the Council of Trent; the King esteems it much; the author is still concealed. The Queen's funeral was better than that of Prince Henry, but fell short of Queen Elizabeth's; the chariot and six horses in which her effigy was drawn were most remarkable. Mr. Appleyard, a spectator, killed by the falling of a stone which formed part of the motto on Northampton House. The King at Greenwich; he forgot an audience appointed for the French Ambassador, and had retired when he arrived. The King of Denmark desires to continue amity. The Prince and Buckingham grow very friendly. Sir Hen. Wotton is to leave Venice, and Sir Isaac Wake to succeed him. Lady Roos confesses much, laying the blame on her mother and brother, and excusing her father.

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May 15. Great Almonry. 35. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Favourable opinions expressed of Carleton by the Treasury Commissioners, but no money given, the Exchequer being so low that some of the late Queen's chains and jewels are assigned to Ambassadors. Purchase of a hawk for the King, from a Dutchman.

May 18. Gravesend. 36. Abraham Williams to the Same. M. de Plessen has procured a continuation of the treaty with the Princes of the Union, and has returned with handsome presents. Departure of the Conte de Noyelles, the Archduke's Ambassador. The Countess of Bedford gone to meet Lady Harrington, who is returning from Heidelberg.

May 18. Greenwich. Proclamation prohibiting the importation of whale fins by any but the Muscovy Company; renewed because of neglect of the former proclamation of Sept. 11, 1614. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 68.]

May 19. 37. Memoranda by Clement Cotterell of money disbursed by his Lordship [Buckingham's?] command, since April.

May 20. 38. Accounts [by Edw. Nicholas] of the debts owing by him and to him.

May 20. 39. Copy of the above, with some additions.

May 20. 40. Lord Wm. Howard to Lord Zouch. Sir Rich. Lidall's charge that he promoted Kendal's being made a staple for wool is false; on the contrary, he joined in a certificate to Council of the inconvenience of preventing traffic in country wools.

May 22. London. 41. Nath. Brent to [Carleton]. Sir Edw. Herbert is gone to France with Thos. Carew as Secretary. The French Ambassador Extraordinary has taken his leave, and was magnificently feasted by the Duke [of Lenox]. The Earl of Oxford is made Lord High Chamberlain, as his father was. The King has hunted in Eltham Park.

May 22. Great Almonry. 42. Thos. Locke to the Same. A petition is preferred by Sir John Killigrew, &c., for the erection of a lighthouse. Carleton's payments promised amongst the first made.

May 23. Licence to John Shotbolt to repair the highways by the means of instruments invented by him, for twenty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 279.]

May 23. Chester. 43. Mayor of Chester to the Council. Has arrested Walter Sheppard, a suspected Seminary Priest, come from Ireland, who refuses the Oath of Allegiance, and Wm. Gray, a Lincolnshire man, also from Ireland, who set up a scandalous paper on the high cross of Chester, and is probably a lunatic. *Incloses,*

43. I. *Certificate by Edw. Mottram, Customer of Waterford, that Walter Sheppard is a mass priest, and a seducing fellow. Neston, May* 15.

43. II. *Examination of Walter Sheppard. Was born and brought up near Tamworth, in Staffordshire. Has been long abroad, but lived the last four years with Lord Mountgarrett, in Ireland. Is a recusant, but not a priest nor Jesuit. Chester, May* 15.

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43. III. *"Wm. Gray's Scandalous Paper," being a declamation on the present danger threatening England and the King, on account of vice.*

43. IV. *Examination of Wm. Gray, of Crossemack Shane, co. Kerry. Wrote the above paper, and fixed it on Chester high-cross. Knows no danger threatening the King or kingdom, but wrote it because he wished to be brought before His Majesty, hoping for redress from an unjust sentence against him in the Star Chamber of Ireland. Chester, May* 17.

43. V. *Confession of the Same. Was born at Urford, Lincolnshire. Told no one about the paper; would have set it up on the court gates, if he could have got to London.*

May 23. 44. Notes of the decision of Council relative to the disposal and pensioning of the late Queen's household.

May 24. 45. The Earl of Exeter to Sir Clement Edmondes. Requests that Sir Rowland Egerton, Bart., Sir Edw. Cope, Fras. Plowden, Geo. Miller, of Culworth, and Dr. Savage, of Farthinghoe, may be summoned before Council, as repeated defaulters for non-attendance at the musters of Northamptonshire.

May 24. London. Monday. 46. Sir Gerard Herbert to Carleton. The King received the sacrament on Sunday in the Chapel Royal, and talked much at dinner with the Bp. of Llandaff. Expected creations of nobility. Chris. Villiers is to be a Baron; he woos the Lord Mayor's daughter. Lady Hatton to be a Countess, and Lady Roos to marry Porter, Buckingham's servant. Description of the supper given by the Duke of Lenox to the Marquis of Tremouille at Whitehall; afterwards the play of Pericles, Prince of Tyre, was performed. The Queen's Court is broken up, &c.; her servants have presented their requests, and good hopes are given them.

May 24. King's Bench. 47. Sir Nich. Poyntz to the Council. Being summoned before them, is kept in prison by the gaoler of the King's Bench, without any cause; requests to be called to appearance with the gaoler.

May 25. Penrith. 48. Sir Wm. Hutton to the Same. Rude delivery of their letters by Charles and Thomas, sons of Lord Wm. Howard. Will apprehend [And.] Pope and [Pat.] Story, two of the persons named. Hopes that bail may be taken for the other, Wm. Taylor, being his servant, and only accused through the malice of Lord Wm. Howard. [*See May* 5.]

May 25. Newcastle. 49. Mayor, &c. of Newcastle to Sir Clement Edmondes. All the burgesses who refused payment of the assessment for restraining pirates, have submitted and paid, on being summoned to appear before Council, except those who are at present beyond the seas.

May 25. Grant to Fras. Nicholls and others of the office of garbling tobacco, for thirty years, for the rent of 100*l.* [*Grant Bk., p.* 277.]

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May 26. Norwich. 50. Mayor, &c. of Norwich to the Council. Cannot relieve Geo. Reyne, a soldier, because he was impressed for the county, not for the city, and receives a pension from the county; he continues to complain and petition, as an excuse for his roguish life.

May 26. Dover. Wednesday. 51. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. Have imprisoned and will severely punish certain persons who embezzled provisions belonging to the Marquis de Tremouille, on his embarkation, and charged him exorbitant fees for ferrying. Vessels laden with money and arms have landed at Dunkirk from Spain. Lady Harrington has arrived at Dover.

May 26. Hatfield. 52. The Earl of Salisbury to the Council. Has been present in person at the musters for Hertfordshire; the foot are all complete, but there is difficulty with the horse, the lands of those who found them being frequently divided and sold amongst citizens [of London], who plead non-residence, and refuse compliance. Sir Stephen Soame, just deceased, was a great defaulter, as is Sir John Wilde.

May 27. Mansfield. 53. Commissioners of Musters for Nottinghamshire to Sir C. Edmondes. Send the certificate of musters according to the required form. The charge that they allow defective armour is false; if any defect appear, they insist on money being at once paid to supply it. Have had all the calivers changed to muskets, powder and munition provided in required proportions, &c.

May 27. Wallington. 54. Sir John Fenwick to the Council. Has apprehended Roger Carnaby and Jas. Forster, according to orders, and also taken Geo. Stokoe, their captain, and his followers, after an obstinate resistance. Will search for Matthew Errington.

May 28. Greenwich. 55. Sir Geo. Calvert to Sir Hen. Yelverton. The King desires him to draw a warrant for the enlarging and banishment of Fras. Harris and Wm. Brett, prisoners in the Gatehouse for refusing the Oath of Allegiance; granted at the instance of Count de Noyelles, late Ambassador from the Archduke.

May 28. Dover. 56. Mayor of Dover to Lord Zouch. Announces the landing of an Ambassador from the Duke of Lorraine.

May 29. 57. Petition of Lord Zouch's tenants of Hillside, in Odiham, to Lord Zouch, for confirmation of an Order in Council, granting them, for repair of their ruinous houses, the remainder of the trees there, the estover woods having been cut down and carried away unlawfully, by Sir Edw. Fitton and Jas. Rudyard, officers of the Earl of Mar, during his absence in Scotland.

May 29. London. 58. John Keymer to Carleton. Favour showed to Carleton by Sec. Naunton. Commends Sir Wm. Cockayne's suit.

May 29. London. 59. Nath. Brent to [the Same]. The mourning for the Queen is laid aside. The King presided at St. George's Feast; particulars of the ceremony. No peers created, as expected. Buckingham more in

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favour than ever; he has the keeping of Denmark House, and 1,200*l.* a year of the Queen's jointure. Sir Lionel Cranfield's favour at Court has declined, and will not revive unless he will marry "a handsome young waiting gentlewoman, who hath little money but good friends." Three books are written against the Archbp. of Spalato, but he laughs at them. Crowds in Bishopsgate to see Lady Harrington arrive from Heidelberg.

May 30. Islington. 60. Dr. Geo. Carleton, Bp. of Llandaff, to Sir Dud. Carleton. Particulars of his promotion to the Bishopric of Chichester, through Buckingham's influence, and of a conversation with the King, on the proceedings of the Arminians in Holland, whom His Majesty compares with the Pelagians of old.

May 31. London. 61. Chamberlain to the Same. Barnevelt is thought to have had hard measure, no conspiracy being proved against him. The King has dissolved the difficulties of the East India matter; he is gone to Theobalds. Lady Hatton would be Countess of Westmoreland, but will not pay well enough; the King has in vain endeavoured to settle her quarrel with her husband. The Earl of Suffolk is so dejected that it is thought he will not live till his trial. The Lord Mayor, &c. will go out to meet the King, on his return to town after his dangerous illness. Pierrot, the late Queen's Frenchman, and her Dutch maid Anna, confined, for embezzling 30,000*l.* worth of her jewels. Ecclesiastical promotions. St. Paul's Cross hung with black for the Queen. Sir Stephen Soame dead, worth 6,000*l.* land and 40,000*l.* goods. The Lord Mayor is ill, because the King wants him to marry his only daughter, a child of fourteen, to Chris. Villiers, which he refuses. If Lady Hatton will give the Isle of Purbeck to Sir John Villiers, she will be made Countess of Purbeck, and he Visct. Purbeck; if not, her husband will be made a Baron to spite her.

May 31. London. Monday. 62. Sir Gerard Herbert to the Same. Great honours and courtesies shown to the States' Commissioners at St. George's Feast. The King talked much with them, praised the Prince of Orange, and compared him to Henry IV. of England, for skill in pacifying troubles, &c. He has ordered the most difficult point in the treaty to be let alone for a few years, that the rest may be concluded on, at which all rejoice. The City of London sent the King a charter, showing that it was their right to have mourning at a royal funeral, which had been neglected at that of the Queen, on which mourning for all the City officers and servants, nearly 120 in number, was sent, and they held a special service at St. Paul's Cross.

May 31. Whitehall. 63. Lord [Zouch] and Sir Edw. Coke to Sir Rich. Molyneux. Have appointed June 11th to hear the cause referred to them, of Lady Tarbock against him, she complaining that he refuses to allow her dower right, in certain lands purchased by him from Sir Edw. Tarbock, her late husband.

May 31. 64. The Lord Mayor of London to the Wardens of the Weavers' Company. The King is pleased to offer to all the companies confirmation of their lands, &c. Desires them to give notice whether they purpose to take the benefit of the grant, and, if so, they are to

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send particulars of the lands, rents, &c. which they wish to have assured. *Annexing,*

64. 1. *Charter of Henry* [*VI.*] *to the Guild of Weavers in London, confirming to them their liberties and customs, on annual payment of two golden marks.*

May? 65. Note of such freemen of other companies as have entered the Weavers' Company, and submitted themselves to their charter and ordinances, since April 27, 1617.

May? 66. List of fees payable by the City companies on renewal of their charters.

May? 67. Memorandum of the privileges granted to an incorporated Company of Tradesmen of London.

May? 68. Petition of Dr. Hilkiah Crooke to the King, to urge the Commissioners for Bethlehem Hospital to be diligent in the prosecution of their commission, and to provide separate government for the hospital, which has not thriven this 100 years; also to provide for his own indemnity, having been guardian more than a year.

May? 69. Note of defaulters at musters in cos. Kent, Wilts, Somerset, Bedford, Chester, and City of Chester; also of other places whence no defaulters have been certified.

[May.] 70. Petition of the Mayor and others of Berwick-upon-Tweed, to the King, showing that the grant of 8,000*l.* for the stone bridge has all been expended on the work, and praying a further grant, as 4,000*l.* or 5,000*l.* more is required for its completion.

June 1. London. 71. Sir Art. Tyringham to Carleton. Sir John Kidderminster, lessee of the parsonage of Langley, near Windsor, worth 120*l.* a year clear, wishes to renew his lease, but the Bp. of Spalato, now Dean of Windsor, out of gratitude to Carleton, will not dispose of it without his consent.

June 2. 72. Launcelot Lovelace to Lord [Zouch]. Rich. Dawkes and Stephen Marsh appeared before him, but Marsh was unwilling to submit to arbitration, and wished to appeal to law. [*See April* 23, *supra.*]

June 3. Chester. 73. Mayor of Chester to the Council. The alehouse-keepers of the city refuse to be bound according to the proclamation, pleading that they cannot be included as, by the city charter, all forfeitures belong to the city, and also that they are already bound in recognizances, for keeping the assize. Asks directions before suppressing them; they, being chiefly poor men, would be ruined thereby.

June 4. Release to Fras. Hildesley and others, of all covenants and accounts touching their office of overseers of the alum works, upon their surrender of the said office. [*Grant Bk., p.* 277.]

June 5. 74. Sir Hen. Yelverton and Sir Thos. Coventry to [the Council]. Think that Hen. Block, being reclaimed in religion, and penitent, may be set free, without further punishment than his long imprisonment; and that John Clement should be sent to suffer exemplary punishment at the Hampshire assizes.

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June 5. London. 75. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King, on returning to Whitehall, was met by the Recorder and citizens in state; he was gaily dressed and attended, which will seem strange to the Ambassadors in mourning, come to condole [on the Queen's death]; he stays at Greenwich and the neighbourhood till July 18, and then goes on his progress; he has granted 1*d.* per ton on all exports and imports, to maintain forts on the coast and at Land's End; also taxes on coals and tobacco, on pretence of their being better garbled. The Chancellor has a grant of 1,200*l.* a year from alienations; he has committed Shingleton, of Oxford, for declaiming against his court, and ridiculing his Latinities, in a sermon at Paul's Cross. Lady Hatton will not part with Purbeck, so Sir John Villiers is to be Visct. Beaumont. Sends the articles between our East India Commissioners and the States, who must have bribed great friends, the terms are so advantageous to them.

June 5. London. 76. Nath. Brent to [the Same]. The King made a solemn entry into London after his sickness, passing by Gray's Inn Lane, and the fields and mews, to Whitehall; he was unusually courteous to many, but especially to the Judges. The Ambassador of Lorraine came in mourning to condole, and found mourning cast off; the King said he should have come sooner. Lord Digby and Sir Walter Aston are to go Ambassadors to Spain, which makes that marriage feared. Lady Elizabeth wishes to come over. The Dutch merchants, in danger for exporting gold, have offered a compromise of 100,000*l.*

June 5. 77. Thos. Locke to the Same. Difficulties about obtaining the Privy Seal for his mourning. Asked Naunton whether there were any hope of gaining the suit for the profit of a peerage; he thinks so, as Buckingham is Carleton's friend. The Trinity House oppose Sir John Killigrew's suit [for the lighthouse], and it will fall through, unless the Dutch certify its necessity, and are willing to contribute to it.

June ? 78. Answer [by Sir John Killigrew] to objections made by the Trinity House against his proposition for erecting a lighthouse on the Lizard, defending its expediency and necessity. The Earl of Cumberland's prize, value 100,000*l.*, was cast away in Mount's Bay, in 1589. Mr. Cavendish nearly lost for want of knowing the Lizard, after having sailed round the world, &c.

June 7. 79. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Sec. Naunton wishes Carleton to name his man for a peerage. Sir John Kidderminster tries to obtain the lease [of Langley] from the Bp. of Spalato, but thinks it will be reserved for Carleton, who may gain 100*l.* or 120*l.* a year by it.

June 8. London. 80. Sir Edw. Harwood to the Same. Illness of Lady Harrington and Lady Bedford. The expected dignities not created.

June 8. Weymouth and Melcombe-Regis. 81. Mayor of Weymouth to the Council. Complains that, upon grant of the order, that the 450*l.* for suppressing pirates should be levied on goods exported or imported at their port, the inland merchants who were accustomed to trade thence have removed their trade to Pool, to avoid the duty. Requests that

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the sum may be diminished, or they compelled to share in the payment.

June 9. 82. Thos Locke to Carleton. The Commissioners of the Treasury do little, because there is no money but 5,000*l.* of Sir Thos. Lake's fine, 1,000*l.* of which is to be spent on the new Banquetting House. Has got the bill for Carleton's mourning.

June 9. London. 83. Thos. Murray to the Same. The Prince is pleased with the two voyages, and Barnevelt's process, sent him by Carleton. The treaty for East Indian traffic is concluded, which will displease the Spanish faction. Gondomar is coming to give satisfaction on the marriage, but the Spanish ends are not consistent with the welfare of Christendom.

June 9. Order in Council that Sec. Calvert, the Master of the Rolls, and Sir Edw. Coke, summon before them Lady Blount, to examine who was the writer of the petition which she presented to the board, against the Lord Chancellor. [*Dom. Corresp., May* 12, 1620.]

June 10. Licence to the master and scholars of Emmanuel College, Cambridge, to procure lands not exceeding 40*l.* per ann. [*Grant Bk., p.* 285.]

June 10. 84. Lords Aubigny and St. John to the Council. Have held the musters for Huntingdonshire, perfected the trained band of 400, and also the horse, and ordered supply of defects in arms, powder, &c. Certify Sir Jas. Wingfield of Keyston and three others as defaulters.

June 11. 85. Statement by Lord Wm. Howard [to the Same], that Wm. Taylor has already been pardoned for burglary, and is indicted for four felonies committed since, and request that he may be committed without bail. With reference to the Judges for the Northern Circuit, and their opinion that he should not be admitted to bail.

June 11. 86. Petition of Wm. Direnard, merchant of Bourdeaux, to the Lord Chancellor, that the accounts between him and certain merchants of London, who owe him 3,000*l.* for French wines, may be referred to Commissioners, he being a stranger, and unable to bear a tedious suit. With order thereon.

June 11. 87. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The great cause against the Dutch merchants, for the purchase and export of gold, is in hearing before the Star Chamber, the amount being seven millions. Great difficulties in finding proofs, from the secrecy of the exports, the reluctance of apprentices to swear against their masters, &c. The Dutch church threatens to excommunicate all who confess anything.

June 12. London. 88. Examination of Amy Lady Blount. Gave directions for writing the petition directed to the King against the Lord Chancellor, but refuses to say who wrote it, or to whom she showed it when drawn. None encouraged her in her petition. Some told her it was just, but full of danger; refuses to say who they were.

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June 12. London. 89. Sir Edw. Harwood to Carleton. Lady Bedford has the small-pox; she is attended by Mayerne. Buckingham has been ill, and was often visited by the King and Prince. Lord Hollis and his counsel committed to the Fleet, because he would not obey the orders of a Committee of Council, to hush up a quarrel with Sir Rich. [Edw.] Coke.

June 12. London. Saturday. 90. Sir Gerard Herbert to the Same. Detail of the proceedings in the Star Chamber against 160 strangers accused of transporting seven millions of gold; Sir Wm. Curteen, Burlamachi, Van Lore, and De Quester, are amongst them. Methods used in secretly exporting gold. Names of the Commissioners on the trial. The King going to Theobalds.

June 12. London. 91. Sir Thos. Edmondes to [the Same]. Great rejoicing at the settlement of the East India trade with the Dutch. Lord Houghton committed for disrespectful conduct before the Council, in a controversy with Sir Edw. Coke; also the Earl of Ormond, for not regarding an order made by the King, in the differences between him and Lord Dingwall.

June 12. London. 92. Nath. Brent to [the Same]. Sir Hen. Wotton said to have left Venice, and to be in Germany. The King killed a buck in Eltham Park, and bathed his bare feet and legs in the blood, as a cure for the gout. Lincoln's Inn Fields are to be laid out in walks, like Moorfields, &c.

June 14. 93. The Earl of Exeter to Sir Clement Edmondes. Requests the dismissal of Sir Rowland Egerton, Sir Edw. Cope, and Dr. Savage, who have promised conformity in future at the musters.

June 14. Custom House, London. 94. Sir John Wolstenholme to the Same. Lead has always been open to free trade, and its restraint to certain places beyond seas would be injurious to the King in his Customs, as well as to the country where it is found.

June 14. Totness. 95. Mayor and Magistrates of Totness to the Council. Pledge themselves to raise 500*l.* for the suppression of pirates, on condition of being freed from the interference of Dartmouth or any other place.

[June 15.] 96. Report of proceedings in the trial of the Merchant Strangers, charged with unlawful emption and exportation of gold and coin. The accusation, defence in general, examination of witnesses, particular defences of the several parties, &c. The Attorney General solicits time for his reply thereto.

June 16. Grant to Sam. Cardwell of the office of Nuntiator or Pursuivant, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 285.]

June 16. Commission to Sir Ralph Freeman and others, to appoint such persons as they think fit to make starch according to the proclamation, and to see abuses reformed in the making thereof. [*Ibid., p.* 285.]

June 16. 97. Sir Thos. Wilson to the Chancellor of the Exchequer. Requests relief and counsel for a poor distressed lady, lately attired in the habit of her most opposed enemy, of which he has now disrobed her, and she is ashamed to present herself. Apologizes for his "idle parable."

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June 16. Eton. 98. Sir Hen. Savile to Carleton. Family news. Report of an anti-synod to be set up in Holland.

June 19. 99. Submission of Anna Lady Roos. Acknowledges the justness of the sentence pronounced on her, for forging the papers accusing the Countess of Exeter of an attempt to poison herself and her father, and for suborning Sara Swarton to perjury. Asks the Countess's forgiveness and the King's pardon.

[June 19.] 100. Copy of the above.

June 19. 101. Thos. Locke to [Carleton]. Cannot secure him any money from the Exchequer. The Archbp. of Canterbury said Ambassadors would be coming home, if not paid. In the cause of the Dutch merchants for export of gold, the King has decided that no sentence shall be pronounced on the eighteen or nineteen who are proceeded against, until the rest are proved guilty. Sir Thos. Lake being ill, was excused appearance to make his submission in Court, as decreed, but he refused to sign the submission sent to him. Lady Lake refused to appear, and the King allowed Lady Roos to sign a submission and recognition to the Countess of Exeter, instead of appearing in person, because she had privately confessed to him the forgery of the pretended letter to Luke Hatton, and of the recognition of crime pretended to be made by the Countess of Exeter.

June 19. London. 102. Chamberlain to the Same. Grant to Lady Bedford and Marquis Hamilton of 2,000*l.* a year towards their debts. Lord Hollis committed to the Fleet, for refusing to keep secret his charges in the Star Chamber against Sir Edw. Coke for extortion. Particulars of the prosecution against the strangers for exporting gold. The witnesses are so exceptionable, and the raking up faults of sixteen years thought so prejudicial, that it is likely to fall through. The Dutch church denies threatening with excommunication any of their members who reveal anything. Sir Thos. Lake had leave to converse with his Lady; but both refusing to subscribe an acknowledgement of their offences, are confined more closely than ever. Lady Roos having subscribed, is pardoned. The King gone to Theobalds, and entertained by Sir Hen. Mildmay at Wanstead. The Bp. of Lincoln succeeds the Bp. of Winchester as Almoner.

June 20. Sunday. London. 103. Sir Gerard Herbert to the Same. The Star Chamber was full of people to hear the decision on the Dutch cause, when the Chancellor, after praising the King's justice to strangers as well as his own subjects, said it was to be deferred till next term, the Dutch complaining that their lawyers had not time to prepare their answer. The States were feasted by Sir Thos. Smythe, and by the Skinners and Ironmongers' Companies.

June 21. Greenwich. 104. Sir Geo. Calvert to Sec. Naunton. Requests him to despatch the bearer, who is Solicitor for the merchants of Scotland, and will else importune His Majesty.

[June] 21. Grant to Edw. Allen of licence to erect a college in Dulwich, co. Kent, to consist of a master, four fellows, six poor brethren, six poor sisters, and twelve poor scholars. [*Grant Bk., p.* 273.]

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June 22. London. 105. John Bill, the King's Printer, to Dr. Wideman, of Augsburg. Thanks him for offering, through him, certain very rare books to the King. Requests him to send them to the next Frankfort fair, and will then take charge of their safe carriage to England, where, if they are as rare and curious as represented, they will be most welcome. Latin; with German notes of the titles and dates of transmission of certain books. Indorsed, is a draft of a later note from Wideman to the King, offering him all his MSS., &c., collected during forty years, for a suitable remuneration; and also notes of further correspondence with Bill upon books.

June ? 106. Statement [by John Bill] of the right acquired by [Bonham] Norton and himself, who for many thousand pounds bought the office of King's Printer, in the copyright of a work called the Confutation of the Rhemish Testament, written by the late Dr. Fulke, which his daughter, Mrs. Ogden, has obtained licence to print.

June 22. Commission to the Lord Chancellor, the Earl of Arundel, and others, to discover the value of the fines, heriots, perquisites and offices of Court, &c., and to let them in farm to such persons as they shall think meet. [*Grant Bk., p.* 285.]

June 23. Southampton House, Holborn. 107. Capt. Thos. Risley to Sir Clement Edmondes. The Lord Lieutenant of Hampshire [Earl of Southampton] desires the discharge of Mr. Cole, who has submitted to provide arms for the musters.

June 23. Savoy. 108. Wm. Earl of Northampton to Sec. Calvert. The King having referred to him a certain petition, which he approves, requests him to state his pleasure that the business be proceeded in forthwith. *Prefixed is,*

108. I. *Petition of Thos. Canon, Surveyor of Crown lands in South Wales, to the King. Certain waste lands in Wales, long the resort of thieves and malefactors, and therefore uninhabited, are likely to be made useful, by the care of the Lord President in rooting out thieves, &c., and might be advantageously colonized from England. Many of them belong to the Crown. Requests that the Justices of Assize, and other gentlemen resident there may be authorized to inquire into their extent, to what manors they belong, &c. With report from the Earl of Northampton, President of Wales, approving the petition. Dated, June* 18.

108. II. "*The grounds, intentions, and ends of Thos. Canon, touching his petition exhibited to His Majesty for supplanting the mountain thieves of Wales, and disposing habitations in convenient places, upon His Majesty and the Prince's wastes there.*"

June 24. 109, 110. Order in Council, made by the King's express command, for preventing the unlawful export of iron ordnance. Two copies

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June 25. Holyrood House. 111. Jas. Raith to Robt. Abercromby, Secretary to the Earl of Kelly. Capt. Murray is ordered out with a well-furnished ship, to watch for the Hollanders fishing in the Scottish seas, and to demand the dues for the King; if not granted, he is to require a formal certificate of refusal. Private business.

June 26. London. 112. Nath. Brent to [Carleton]. It was thought that the fines on the Dutch for export of gold would have paid half the King's debts, but the cause is postponed for want of legal proof; meanwhile, it is hoped, they will offer a composition. Buckingham made ill by overstraining himself in running; the King reproved him for adventuring himself so much. A Parliament is whispered of. The King has been very bountiful to the Queen's women; Mrs. Gargrove, the only Maid of Honour, has 1,000*l.*, and 200*l.* a year. There is talk of a tax of 40*l.* per ann., on all below a certain degree who keep a coach, the benefit to be bestowed on decayed captains.

June 26. London. 113. Chamberlain to the Same. Sir John Villiers made Baron Purbeck, but Lady Hatton will not put him in possession. Sir Thos. Lake sick of the scurvy; his Lady has leave to attend him. Lady Roos detested for betraying her parents. The King going to Oatlands, Oking, and Windsor; his legs are recovered; he bathes them in every stag and buck's belly, on the place where he kills them. Money so scarce that 20,000*l.* worth of jewels has to be pawned to meet the expense of this progress. Lord Digby prepares for Spain, but knows not how to get the money.

June 26. Licence to Sir Thos. Coventry, &c. to confer with silk men and silk dyers, for reformation of abuses in dyeing their silks. [*Grant Bk., p.* 287.]

June 28. Commission to the Same, to execute the office of the King's Attorney General. [*Ibid., p.* 287.]

June 30. Greenwich. Proclamation for all tent keepers, artificers, and idle persons, to depart from the Court within twenty-four hours, under penalty of imprisonment. The Knight Marshal to take a daily survey, so that none but those entered in the roll signed by the King be suffered. No attendants at Court to be allowed to have hangers-on; no laundresses to frequent Court, &c. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 69.]

June. 114. Jean Gaspar Woulffen to the King. Hopes no one will be put before him in the business about refining lead, in which he has taken much pains; begs for more service, or for means to retire elsewhere. French.

June. 115. Petition of John Gale and others, creditors of Gerard Reade, to the Council, that order may be taken with certain refractory creditors of Reade, who refuse an agreement, and would keep him in prison all his days, thereby preventing his paying his debts.

June? 116. John Carleton to his uncle, Sir Dud. Carleton. Expects a command to go with the King on his progress; he will have no servants that are melancholy. Advises Sir Dudley to bear his

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disappointment [about the Secretaryship] quietly, and not force himself too much on His Majesty; also to avail himself of the lease of Windsor Church, for which he has the first promise.

July 1. Westminster. Grant to John Buck, Walter Lingon, and Wm. Welles, of London, on rental, of lands, &c., in cos. Notts, Devon, Hants, Cornwall, Suffolk, Essex, Gloucester, Wilts, Kent, Berks, York, Stafford, Dorset, Bedford, Worcester, Northampton, Warwick, Durham, and Northumberland, total value 74*l.* 15*s.* per ann., in part of a grant to Visct. Doncaster of lands, value 200*l.* per ann. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 3.]

July 1. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Nuttall, in reversion after Edm. Jenny, of the Customer's place at Ipswich, on surrender of a former reversion by Rich. Gryme. [*Ibid., No.* 4.]

July 1. Westminster. Presentation of Fras. Brooke to the rectory of Tempsford, co. Bedford, vice —— Noake, deceased. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 5.]

July 1. Westminster. Grant to Sir Edw. Fisher, on rental, of a portion of tithes in Mickleton, co. Gloucester, some time belonging to the monastery of Eynesham, co. Oxford, formerly unjustly detained from the King. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 6.]

July 1. 117. Petition of Hen. Brough, late Serjeant of the Mace at Sandhurst, to Lord Zouch, for leave to prosecute execution upon a judgment against Hen. Sandford, of St. John's, Isle of Thanet, who, by non-fulfilment of a promise to return to his custody, caused him the loss of his place. With reference thereon.

July 2. Whitehall. 118. Order in Council, on remonstrance by the Deputies of the States' General, against the interruption to trade arising from Sir Basil Brooke's patent for manufacturing steel, that the Attorney General take measures for voiding the patent; the steel of Brooke having also been much complained of by the cutlers, and others.

July 2. Whitehall. 119. Sir Fulk Greville to Sec. Calvert. The office mentioned in Dr. Chamber's petition was enjoyed by Sir Stephen Proctor. Thinks the patent may safely be renewed, with certain exceptions and provisoes.

July 2. Barnstaple. 120. Mayor of Barnstaple to the Council. Requests leave to return to the merchants their contribution for suppressing pirates, on promise of repayment when required. They clamour against him for keeping the money in his own hands.

July 2. Commission to Edw. Earl of Worcester and others, to sell jewels and precious stones mentioned in an inventory. [*Grant Bk., p.* 273.]

July 2. Westminster. Grant to David Howell and three other persons, in cos. Glamorgan and Carnarvon, of pardon for small robberies, the parties aggrieved being satisfied. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 7.]

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July 2. Westminster. Grant to Cuthbert Joyner, Clerk of the Vestry, and Matthew Wight, of London, of the Surveyorship of Lands, &c., belonging to Rectories, Vicarages, and Rural Prebends, in England and Wales, under Commissioners to be appointed by the Archbp. of Canterbury; with order to make perfect terriers of the same, and write and engross all inquisitions taken thereon, &c. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 8.]

July 3. 121. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Has suggested to Mr. Secretary Sir Hen. Wallop or Sir Walter Cope [for Carleton's projected gift of a peerage]; also mentioned Paulet, but he was disliked. Sir John Killigrew has got his patent for the lighthouse.

July 5. 122. Decision of Lord Digby and the other Commissioners, that the question with the Hollanders about the Greenland fishery should be postponed for three years, and meanwhile restitution made for damages on both sides.

July 5. Westminster. Warrant to repay to Sir Patrick Hume, Master Falconer, 239*l.* 10*s.*, expended in purchase of hawks, &c. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 9.]

July 5. Westminster. Grant to And. Fergusson of 200*l.* out of the King's part of a fine for usury adjudged against Peter Bownd, of Tor-newton, parish of Tor-bryan, co. Devon. [*Ibid., No.* 10.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Sir Robt. Naunton of lease of the manor of Walton-cum-Trembly, the priory of Felixstow, and the manor of Hitcham, co. Suffolk. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 12.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Allen of the office of Serjeant-at-Arms. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 13.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Godfrey Havercamp and Robt. Davy, of London, on surrender of Sir Fras. Jones, of the office of Collector of Impost at Sandwich, Ipswich, Yarmouth, Lynn-Regis, St. Botolphs, Boston, Kingston-upon-Hull, Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Berwick, and Carlisle. [*Ibid., No.* 14.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to the Mayor and Corporation of Hereford, of confirmation of their charter, with additional privileges. Latin. [*Ibid., Nos.* 15, 16.]

July 6. Westminster. Erection of the office of Surveyor of Sea Coals laden at Newcastle, Sunderland, Blyth, and other places in Northumberland and Durham, to avoid deceits in mingling coals, and grant to And. Boyd of the above-named office. [*Ibid., Nos.* 17, 18.]

July 6. Cowes. 123. John Cornelius to John Ellezey, Merchant, at Southampton. Particulars of certain ships, a French prize, &c., in the harbour. Mr. Rymon refuses to pay customs on certain sugars.

July 7. Eton College. 124. John Hales to Carleton. Sir Hen. Savile was dangerously ill, and his death feared, but he is recovering. The intended successor to the Provostship [Thos. Murray] is made Secretary to Prince Charles, and, as both the offices cannot well be fulfilled by the same person, thinks Carleton might negociate with him for the Provostship.

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July 7. Westminster. Warrant appointing John Murray to receive, for the use of the King, the 6,000*l.* to be paid by the city of London, for confirming the titles of the lands of the several companies, parishes, &c., and ordering due discharge to be given to the City, on payment thereof to him. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 19.]

July 8. Westminster. Grant, with survivorship, to Geo. Tucker, of Milton near Gravesend, and George, his son, of the place of Searcher of the Port at Gravesend. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 20.]

July 8. Westminster. Grant to John Ward of the arrears of a rent of 8*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, payable to the King out of the manor of Benges, co. Hertford. [*Ibid., No.* 21.]

July 8. 125. Commissioners for Buildings to the Earl of Arundel. The hindrances to the receipts of large sums, as compositions for offences against the proclamation, are licences fraudulently procured, exemptions on special patents, transfer of property, by which the offenders are no longer the owners, and the contemptuous refusal of some persons who treat the King's offer to compound as an oppression rather than a favour; think the demolishment of some of the houses would make the fines come in speedily.

July 8. Bury. 126. Justices of Suffolk to the Council. The clothiers of Suffolk are likely to sustain terrible losses by the breaking of Gerard Reade, merchant, of London, who has 20,000*l.* of their cloth in his hands, and is endeavouring to defraud them, by assigning his goods to his friends; pray that he may be compelled to make them satisfaction.

July 9. Westminster. Grant to Robt. Dodson of the office of Bricklayer and Tiler to His Majesty. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 22.]

July 10. Westminster. Renewal to Lord Scrope and the Council of the North, of the Commission granted to Lord Sheffield and others for hearing of causes, Sir Geo. Ellis being made one of the four Councillors, in place of Sir Chas. Hales, deceased, and Hen. Lord Clifford, Sir Thos. Wharton, Sir Thos. Wentworth, and Sir Thos. Metham, appointed additional Commissioners, by the Lord President's desire. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 23.]

July 10. Westminster. Re-grant to Thos. Higginson, Groom of the Chamber to the late Queen, of 100 marks fine imposed upon John Payne, the former grant being invalid, from long delay in passing the Seal. [*Ibid., No.* 24.]

July 10. Westminster. Grant, with survivorship, to Sir John Wolstenholme, of London, and John Wolstenholme, of the office of Collector of Imposts outwards in the Port of London. [*Ibid., No.* 25.]

July 10. Westminster. Grant to the Same of the office of Collector of the Subsidy of Tonnage and Poundage on Exports in the Port of London. [*Ibid., No.* 26.]

July 10. Westminster. Royal assent for Sam. Harsnett, Bp. of Chichester, elected Bp. of Norwich. [*Ibid., No.* 27.]

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July 10. Holyrood House. 127. Jas. Raith to Robt. Abercromby. Orders are taken in Council against beggars and vagabonds, who swarm in every town; they are to be imprisoned for the first offence, branded for the second, and hanged for the third. Orders spectacles for his Lordship from John Tassell, maker, near Temple Bar. Capt. Murray is sent to claim the assize herrings from the Flemings fishing in the northern sea; he is well equipped to secure his safety, if his demand be refused. Private news.

July 10. London. 128. Nath. Brent to [Carleton]. Signor Donato, the Venetian Ambassador in England, who was recalled two months ago to be tried on certain charges, has fled back for protection; he is selling his goods in England for maintenance. The Earl of Suffolk strives earnestly to have his private submission accepted. The King has sat in Council, about altering the price of gold 2*s.* a jacobus. He has gone from Whitehall to Greenwich.

July 11. St. Stephen's. 129. Sir Peter Manwood to Lord Zouch. Ant. Rooper has taken the Oath of Allegiance. The report of the revolt at Naples said to be true. The Indian Commissioners on both sides have sealed the treaty. Disturbances in Scotland about baptism, the cross, and the manner of receiving the communion. Gold is to be raised 2*s.* in the pound, to prevent exportation.

July 12. Cornbury Park. 130. Lord Danvers to Carleton. Thanks for his care about his picture, which Rubens writes word is sent to Antwerp; prefers one good one to several indifferent ones.

July 12. 131. Questions in Theology, Civil Law, and Philosophy, discussed at the University of Oxford, July 10 and 12. Printed. Latin. [Indorsed by Laud.]

July 12. Westminster. Re-grant to John Grant, on surrender of the Surveyorship of tonnage of ships, of a pension of 100*l.* per ann., with a pension to his wife of 100 marks per ann., if she survive him, the former grant being void through remission of the clause, "notwithstanding the late declaration for non-payment of pensions." [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 28.]

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Smith, Yeoman Pricker of the Buckhounds, and Capt. Oliver Randoll, of two thirds of the King's benefit, not to exceed 700*l.*, from the fines on six informations for breach of penal statutes, recorded but not paid into the Exchequer. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 29.]

July 12. Westminster. Warrant to advance 50*l.* to Lord Stanhope, for extraordinary posts during the King's progress in the north, the standing posts having been discharged by His Majesty's order. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 30.]

July 12. Westminster. Warrant to Geo. Lord Carew to pay 308*l.* to Sir Rich. Greene, due to his wife Lady Susan Greene, for service to the late Queen; to be paid out of the half-year's rents of her jointure assigned to him for her debts. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 31.]

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Robt. Wrixham, of Abingdon, Berkshire, of pardon for killing John Baylie, in a sudden fray. Latin. [*Ibid.*, *No.* 32.]

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July 12. Westminster. Warrant to advance to Jas. Bovey, Serjeant of the Cellar, going into France, 400*l.*, for providing wines, fruits, and grapes for the King's use. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 33.]

July 12. Westminster. Grant to the Duke of Lenox, Steward, and Sir Thos. Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household, of three parts of such surplus as shall accrue from the revenue of the Green Wax, above the average revenue of 3,060*l.* 17*s.* 5*d.* per ann. [*Ibid., No.* 34.]

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Barth. Beale, of Gray's Inn, for the benefit of Sir Wm. Harmon, of the moiety of the manor of Norbury, and other lands, &c., cos. Derby and Stafford, seized into the King's hands for arrears of rent owing by Thos. Fitzherbert, of Norbury, co. Derby, to Robt. Harcourt, of Stanton-Harcourt, co. Oxford, an outlaw, the benefit of whose outlawry was granted to Sir Wm. Harmon. [*Ibid, No.* 35.]

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Doncombe, Rich. Bowle, Hen. Lucas, and Simon Chamber, on behalf of the Countess of Bedford, of certain arrears of an old custom of 2*d.* per chaldron on sea coals sold at Newcastle to people not franchised, due from 20 Eliz. to 10 Jac. I. Also a lease of the said custom for thirty-one years to come. [*Ibid., No.* 37.]

July 12. Westminster. Confirmation to the Mayor and Jurats of Maidstone, co. Kent, of their former liberties, with additional privileges. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 38.]

July 13. London. 132. Wm. Stannard to Sir Edw. Conway. Private affairs. The Chancellor and Sir Horace Vere and his family are well. Sends patterns of arms.

July 13. Westminster. Warrant for instalment of 503*l.* 17*s.* 6*d.*, the first fruits of the Bishopric of Lichfield and Coventry, to be paid in four years. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 39.]

July 14. Westminster. Similar warrant for instalment of 1,921*l.* 8*s.* 6¾*d.*, first fruits of the Bishopric of Ely. [*Ibid., No.* 40.]

July 14. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 1,000*l.*, by instalments, to Thos. Jones, Master of the Toils, and Rich. Turner, according to an agreement with them for provision of toils and buckstalls, for eight years. [*Ibid., No.* 41.]

July 14. Westminster. Grant to Sir Lionel Cranfield, Master of the Wardrobe, of any moneys saved out of the 20,000*l.* allowed for the wardrobe. [*Ibid., No.* 42.]

July 15. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Villiers, of Brookesby, co. Leicester, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 43.]

July 15. Westminster. Grant to Sir Jas. Ley, of Westbury, co. Wilts, Attorney of Wards and Liveries, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 44.]

July 15. Commission to Sir Allan Apsley, Sir Giles Mompesson, and others, to discover the value of freehold and copyhold fines upon alienations, &c. [*Grant Bk., p.* 281.]

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July 15. London. 133. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Countess of Bedford ill of the small-pox. The King at Wanstead. Buckingham, Pembroke, Arundel, and others talk of accompanying the Duke of Lenox and Marquis Hamilton to Scotland. 18,000*l.* worth of the Queen's jewels sold to Peter Van Lore, to defray the expense of the progress, but the choicest are still left. Sir John Eyre chosen Ambassador for Constantinople. The East India Company, at the King's request, continue Sir Thos. Smythe as Governor. Lord Suffolk's case referred to the Star Chamber, as his verbal submission cannot countervail his former oath of being guiltless. Lady Roos set at liberty; her father spends his time in sawing billets, &c. The States' Commissioners are departing. The King went to the Lord Mayor's, to recommend Chris. Villiers as a suitor for his daughter.

July? 134. Petition of the Muscovy Merchants to the Council. Have appealed to the States' Commissioners for redress of goods taken away, and for damage inflicted on them in Greenland by subjects of the States, who will only consent to pay the balance due when the wrongs done to the Hollanders by the English have been deducted. Represent that the goods were taken from the Hollanders by virtue of the King's own patent, whereas those which they took were taken without authority, and therefore beg restitution.

July 15. 135. Statement that Lord Digby conveyed to the States' Commissioners the King's resolution that the settlement of the Greenland whale fishery question be postponed for three years, but that reparation be required for the goods taken hitherto by the Hollanders from the English, and for the damages suffered, or else they will be stopped from such goods as the English, who acted by commission, took from the Hollanders. French.

July? 136. Arguments against reduction of the crew of the ship Answer from 100 to 60, as proposed by the Commissioners of the Navy.

July? 137. Reasons against the proposition for lessening the number of men aboard the King's ships at sea, viz., the advantage that will be taken thereof by enemies, pirates, &c., with special request for maintenance of the crews on board the Speedwell and Phœnix.

July? 138. Reasons by the commander of the Phœnix against lessening the number of men allowed him.

July? 139. Copy of the above three papers, headed "The reasons of the captains serving in His Majesty's ships in the Narrow Seas, against the proposition of lessening the number of men." *Annexing,*

139. I. *Commissioners for the Navy to Lord Admiral Buckingham. Point out the fallacies in the above statements, and vindicate the reasonableness of their former proposition to reduce the number of men on board the King's ships. Request, if their proceedings are approved, to be freed from the interruptions of their opponents. July* 15.

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July 16. M. De Noyer to [Buckingham]. Wishes to know whether the King approves his translation of His Majesty's Meditation on the Lord's Prayer. News from France. [*Abstract, Dom. Corresp., Aug* 3.]

July 16. Westminster. Grant to the Mayor and Corporation of Bath, of licence to make the Avon navigable for carriage of merchandise from Bristol, and of the profits arising from such carriage, in compensation for the expense. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 45.]

July 16. Westminster. Grant to John Wraynham, at intercession of the Lord Chancellor, of pardon of the sentence of imprisonment for life, fine of 1,000*l.*, standing in the pillory, loss of his ears, &c., to which he was condemned by the Star Chamber, for presenting a slanderous petition to the King against the Lord Chancellor, who decided a cause against him; also of pardon for putting his case and proofs into a book, with an epistle to the King and an epilogue, in which were slanders and insolencies both against His Majesty and the Chancellor. [*Ibid., No.* 46.]

July 17. Theobalds. Grant to Sir Benj. Rudyard of an annuity of 200*l.*, surrendered by Lord Dingwall, to whom he has paid 800*l.* for it. [*Ibid., No.* 47.]

July 17. Westminster. Commission to the Duke of Lenox, Lord Steward, and other Officers of the Household, Judges, &c., to exercise jurisdiction in criminal causes, within the verge of the Household. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 48.]

July 17. Westminster. Licence to Ant. Hobart and Robt. Ramsay, on surrender of Sir Thos. Hatton, of the sole making of hard wax in England, with a prohibition of the importation thereof; on condition of his paying 40*l.* a year, and the average of the previous customs for import, and of supplying wax in sufficient quantity and cheaper than before. [*Ibid., No.* 49.]

July 17. Theobalds. Grant to Wm. Cholmley of confirmation of his office of Foreign Apposer of the Exchequer, which he has held twelve years, on appointment of Lord Treasurer Dorset; this grant not to affect the right of appointment in the King or Lord Treasurer. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 50.]

July 17. Westminster. Grant to Sir Jas. Auchterlony and Rich. Garnard, of London, of lands belonging to the Duchy of Lancaster, in cos. Northumberland, Stafford, York, Lincoln, Leicester, and Notts, total value 8*l.* 12*s.* 3*d.*, on condition of surrender of lands of similar value, and in part of the grant of lands, value 200*l.* per ann., to Sir Fras. Stewart; with reservation of all advowsons and timber trees. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 51.]

July 17. London. 140. John Keymer to Carleton. Has little doubt of accomplishing either the business Carleton has written about, or a better.

July 18. Westminster. 141. Sir Edw. Zouch to Lord Zouch. Begs him to take bond for Rich. Whitmore [or Whitney] till Christmas, when, if he does not conform, the suit ceases. Is come to see his son James, who is ill, but the King has granted him only four days' absence.

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July 18. Theobalds. Grant to Alex. Foster, Page of the Bedchamber, of the office of Bailiff of the Hundreds of Llantrissaint and Demspowis, co. Glamorgan. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 52.]

July 18. Theobalds. Grant to Sir Jas. Ley, of Westbury, co. Wilts, of discharge of 1,100*l.*, paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 53.]

July 18. Theobalds. Grant to Wm. Hickes, of Beverstone Castle, co. Gloucester, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 54.]

July 18. Theobalds. Grant to Roger Derisley, on surrender of Sir Hen. Mynne, of the office of Paymaster of the Band of Gentleman Pensioners. [*Ibid., No.* 55.]

July 19. Theobalds. 142. Fras. Windebank to [Thos. Packer, Clerk of the Privy Seal]. To hasten the sealing of the grant to [Roger] Derisley of Sir Hen. Mynne's office surrendered, and of the "great perpetuity" for Buckingham. [*See July* 20.]

July 19. Theobalds. 143. Patent conferring on John de Goch, of Zutphen, one of the States' Commissioners, the honour of knighthood, for his skill, prudence, and courtesy towards the King, in the management of the recent treaty. Latin.

July 20. Islington. 144. Bp. of Llandaff to Carleton. His promotion is considered a reward for his services at Dort. The King calls the Remonstrants intolerable. People eagerly waiting for the articles [of the Synod]. Will never be anxious after preferment; owes the Bishopric of Chichester to Carleton's favourable reports of his conduct at Dort. Hopes he will be speedily preferred.

[July 20.] 145. Petition of Luke Ford, an Irishman, to Lord Zouch. Protests that he never used treasonable and blasphemous language. Has been in prison nineteen weeks, without change of clothes, for refusing the Oath [of Allegiance]. Prays to be set at liberty, or sent up to London. [*See April* 2, *supra.*]

July 20? 146. Petition of Rowland Baugh, of the Inner Temple, to the King, for appointment as Puisné Judge of Assize in cos. Merioneth, Carnarvon, and Anglesey, being a very learned man, and acceptable to the people. Sir Fras. Eure, the present Judge, having married a daughter of Sir Wm. Norris, of Carnarvonshire, cannot hold the office without violation of the statute of 33 Hen. VIII., decreeing that no one shall be a Justice of Assize in a place where he was born or resides, or is allied by marriage, for fear of partiality.

July 20. 147. Deposition of John Meredith. Heard that a petition was to be sent to Council against Sir Fras. Eure; thought it might be preferred by Mr. Lloyd of the Temple.

July 20. Westminster. Grant to Geo. Marquis of Buckingham, for support of his dignities, and in consideration of service, of rental of the manors of Spalding, &c., co. Lincoln, of Leominster, &c., co. Hereford, of Rockingham Park, &c., co. Northampton, and of other lands in cos. Kent, Salop, Cambridge, Huntingdon, and Suffolk, total value 1,198*l.* 1*s.* 9¼*d.* Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *Nos.* 56—58.]

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July 21. Hawnes. Declaration to the Council of the King's pleasure to grant to the Same, in fee farm, the above manors and lands, entailed upon the Crown by indenture 8 May, 7 Jac. I., and not to be disposed of without a certificate from eight of the Council, notwithstanding that such a certificate has not been given. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 61.]

July 21. Hawnes. Warrant to Lord Carew to pay to Chas. Chambers, Groom of the Privy Chamber to the late Queen, 375*l.*, for arrears of wages, since Christmas 1612; to be paid out of her half year's jointure assigned to him. [*Ibid., No.* 59.]

July 21. Hawnes. Grant to Wm. Hicks, about to be created Baronet, of discharge for the sum of 1,095*l.* usually paid for the creation of Baronets, as though the same had been actually paid into the Exchequer. [*Ibid., No.* 60.]

July 21. Hawnes. Warrant to the Earl of Worcester, Duke of Lenox, and others, lessees in trust of the manor of Layston, co. Suffolk, to surrender the same to Lord Admiral Buckingham, the right therein of Prince Charles, to whom it was granted, having been terminated by warrant, after the death of Prince Henry, and being now vested in the Crown. [*Ibid., No.* 62.]

July 21. 148. Examination of Rowland Baugh. Mr. Fludd [Lloyd] said he would get him Sir Fras. Eure's place as Judge in Wales; advised Fludd to be quiet, but he said he would do it. Agreed to give 100*l.* or 120*l.* for the place, but took no steps in it, and never saw the petition sent in his name, till he heard it read at the Council table. Does not know Sir Fras. Eure.

July 21. London. 149. Sir Edw. Somerset to Lord [Zouch]. Is going to marry Sir Hugh Beeston's grandchild. Requests that Mr. Whitmore, a prisoner in Dover Castle, may be liberated on bail, and allowed to go with him to Chester, to estate some lands to him.

July 21. 150. Petition of Thos. Taylor, of Sellinge, Kent, to the Same, for redress against the Bailiff of Folkestone, who professes that neither Edw. Allard, against whom he obtained judgment in an action, nor his pledges, are to be found in the bailiwick; with reference thereon to the Mayor of Folkestone.

July? 151. Petition of the Same to the Same, of similar purport, requesting that John Waffer [alias Wafred], Water Bailiff, whose office it is to take the pledges of persons arrested, should answer for his conduct in not producing Allard's pledges.

July? 152. Statement of the proceedings in reference to the suit against [Edw.] Allard, proving that from June to Oct., 1617, he was resident at Folkestone, and might have been arrested, had the bailiff done his duty.

[July 22.] 153. Statement [by Sir Wm. Ayloffe, Bart., and Ant. Thomas] of the conditions on which they are willing to drain, at their own expense, the fens and drowned lands in cos. Northampton, Hun-

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tingdon, Cambridge, Norfolk, Suffolk, Lincoln, and Isle of Ely, viz., grant of all Crown lands recovered, at an improved rent of 4*d.* per acre, and of two thirds or one half of the lands of subjects.

July 22. Bletsoe. Grant to Geo. Cleg and Wm. Knyveton, of London, of the King's moiety of the penalty of 20*s.* per butt, to be levied by Statute 5 Eliz. against merchant strangers who should land Levant wines from Candia, Rotymo, or any place beyond the Straits of Morocco, at any English port except Southampton. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 63.]

July 23. Bletsoe. Warrant to re-pay to Robt. and John Wood, 40*l.*, balance for their last year's service and expenses in procuring haggard cormorants for the King, and to advance 40*l.* to them for the present year. [*Ibid., No.* 64.]

July 23. Bletsoe. Grant to John L'Oiseau, alias de Tourval, born in France, of denization. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 65.]

July 23. Bletsoe. Lease to Ant. Blaides of the King's two thirds of the lands of Cicely Eshall, recusant, in Northallerton, co. York, value 60*l.* per ann.; and also of her goods and debts. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 66.]

July 23. Bletsoe. Grant to Hen. Heron of the sole licence to salt, dry, and pack fish in Devonshire and Cornwall. [*Ibid., No.* 67.]

July 25. Ashby. Warrant to pay to Sir Rich. Morrison, Lieutenant of the Ordnance, 280*l.* 15*s.*, for 200 gilt javelins and 241 gilt halberts, for the Yeomen of the Guard and Warders of the Tower. [*Ibid., No.* 69.]

July 25. Ashby. Warrant for payment of 40 marks per ann. allowed to Rich. Leake, one of the preachers at the King's alum works, co. York, to make his salary equal to that of Wm. Ward, the other preacher, viz., 100 marks. [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

July 25. Ashby. Presentation of Rich. Bettes to the rectory of Tredington, co. Worcester. Latin. [*Ibid.*, No. 72.]

July 25. Ashby. Grant to Sir Baptist Hicks and others, Justices of the Peace for Middlesex, that the building they have erected near the Sessions House, in St. John's Street, Clerkenwell, shall be a prison or gaol for the county for ever, for all offences save treason and felony. [*Ibid.*, No. 73.]

July 25. Westminster. Warrant to Lord Carew to pay to Dr. Sam. Turner, for his attendance on the late Queen, 220*l.*, which she intended to give him; to be paid out of her half year's jointure assigned to him. [*Ibid., No.* 74.]

July 25. Ashby. Presentation of Thos. Carr to the rectory of Hunsworth, diocese of York. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 75.]

July 25. Ashby. Discharge to Lord Knyvet for all jewels, precious stones, and moneys committed to his custody by the late Queen; and grant to him of 308*l.* 0*s.* 1*d.*, the whole remains of her moneys that came to his hands. [*Ibid., No.* 76.]

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July 27. Kirby. Grant to David Ramsay, the King's clock-maker, born in Scotland, of denization. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 77.]

July 27. Kirby. Grant to Hen. Hurst, Rector of Burton-on-the-Water, co. Gloucester, of confirmation of possession of the lands, &c. of the rectory. [*Ibid., No.* 78.]

July 27. Weymouth and Melcombe-Regis. 154. Mayor of Weymouth to Sir Clement Edmondes. Urges a reply to his letter [*see June* 8], concerning the merchants who have repaired to other ports, to avoid the contribution of one per cent. [for suppression of pirates].

July 28. Grange. 155. Geo. Carleton to Sir D. Carleton. Thanks for attention to his son Dudley, who will be trained to employment under him; will bear his expenses if he can live like a poor scholar; thinks he should return to take his bachelor's degree. Family affairs.

July 28. Windsor. 156. Thos. Horne to the Same. In spite of Carleton's recommendations and his own services, has been disappointed in his request of preferment from the Archbp. of Canterbury, his Grace answering angrily that he never gives to those who ask. The Archbp. of Spalato is angry with him for opposing his election to the parsonage of Ilsley, on account of his ignorance of the language, which disqualifies him from teaching religion. Fears that, notwithstanding his speculative knowledge, the Archbp. has little fear of God in his heart. The Chapter at Windsor begin to be jealous of him.

July 29. Croydon. 157. Archbp. Abbot to the Same. Rejoices at the Bp. of Llandaff's promotion. Would gladly have had another Oxford man, Dr. Hakewill, instead of "him who played those giddy parts," to second the Bishop [at Dort]. The magistrates must be severe with the Arminians, who are pertinacious and exasperated, or they will get the bit into their teeth. Utenbogardt has secret conferences with the Jesuits; he always sought the applause of the world rather than that of God. The French Ministers trouble all Europe, and do no good for the election of the Empire. The Princes of the Union should rouse themselves against Spain; the emulation between the Electors Palatine and of Saxony harms them. The King of Spain professes peace, and sends 500,000 crowns to maintain the war.

July 29. Eton. 158. Sir Hen. Savile to the Same. Sir John Kidderminster will not prevail in his suit. Never saw Sir Isaac Wake when he was over.

July 29. Folkestone. 159. Mayor and Jurats of Folkestone to Lord Zouch. Have called before them John Wafred, the bailiff, to answer the complaint of Thos. Taylor, but he refuses to confess his error or to reform it.

July 29. London. 160. Patent from Lord Admiral Buckingham granting licence to Sir John Killigrew, of Arwanack, co. Cornwall, to erect a lighthouse on the Lizard Point, in order to prevent the frequent shipwrecks; to be supported by voluntary contributions.

July 30. Westminster. Grant to the Tobacco-pipe Makers of Westminster, of Incorporation. Imperfect. [*Sign Man., vol.* X., *No.* 79.]

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July 31. Westminster. Grant to Geo. Bindless, of Lewes, Sussex, of pardon for exporting iron ordnance, on his voluntary submission before he was brought in question. Latin. [*Sign Man. vol.* X., *No.* 80.]

July 31. London. 161. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir Hen. Savile is better. The King has begun his progress. The new Lord Admiral went to Chatham to see the ships, in company with Sir Horace Vere and Lord Digby; he is very desirous to settle at Beddington, near Croydon, but Sir Nich. Carew will not give up his seat to him. The East Indian Commissioners well rewarded; Lord Digby and Sir Fulk. Greville have each a basin and ewer of gold, value 300*l.*, presented by the States, and a chain of gold by our own company. Sir Hen. Wotton has returned from Venice, having exhausted his credit. Sara Swarton is freed on acknowledgment of her forgeries. Sir Thos. Lake being sick, is released, on his bond in 1,000*l.* for his return at Michaelmas; he ordered trumpets and bells to welcome him home; Lady Lake still in prison. A man went for a wager from Southwark to Calais and back in a day.

July 31. Hardingstone. 162. Robt. Greene to Lord Zouch. Requests him to write to Lord Hobart that he may hold the Bailiwick of Hardingstone in his own name, until Zouch Tate, to whom it is granted, be of age.

July 31. Lord Digby to [Buckingham?]. Is busy about preparations for his journey, and begs to be excused waiting on the King till Aug. 9. [*Abstract, Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 3.]

July? 163. Petition of Amy Lady Blount, prisoner in the Fleet, to the Council, to be set at liberty, as in justice she should be, having been in rigorous confinement since July 8, without conviction, or even accusation of crime.

July? 164. Petition of Capt. Hen. Bell to the King, for a patent to survey the melting and smelting of lead, and to stamp it according to its quality, receiving 2*d.* per cwt. from the makers; English lead being much lessened in value abroad, by deceits in the melting thereof.

July? 165. Objections to the above patent, with answers to the objections.

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Aug. 1. Sec. Naunton to [Buckingham?]. Requests that the King will thank the Duke of Bavaria for his good reception of Sir Hen. Wotton and Lord Doncaster. Lady Roos is at Dillingham, in the Isle of Wight. Brewster is frightened back into the Low Countries. De Noyer wants something for his version [of the King's Meditation]. [*Abstract, Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 3.]

Aug. 1. 1. Petition of John Pett and other Fishermen of Sandwich, to Lord Zouch, to give order that they may fish in the fishing ground called the Hope, whereof the royalty has always been thought to belong to the Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, but is lately challenged by Lord Wotton.

Aug. 2. 2. Nich. Rookwood to Sir Clement Edmondes. The Warden [of the Fleet] has put into the dungeon called Boulton's Ward, a place

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newly made to exercise his cruelty, three poor men, Pecke, Segar, and Myners, notwithstanding the express command of the Council that they should be favourably dealt with till further orders; they are starving for want of food.

Aug. 2. Windsor. 3. Jas. Hudson to Carleton. There is to be a meeting amongst some of his Lordship's friends this month; wishes he would write to him about that time, that there may be news from him, when his health is drunk.

Aug. 2. 4. Examination of John Allen. Served Mr. Henshaw, of the Temple, and engrossed for Edw. Lloyd or his companion a petition relating to Sir Fras. Eure and his family connexions, but it was not the one shown him written in the name of Mr. Baugh.

Aug. 2. 5. Examination of Edw. Lloyd. A blank petition was shown him by an agent of Sir Hugh Carmichael, mentioning the Statute of 33 Hen. VIII.; disliked it, and returned it. Told Mr. Baugh that he intended to complain of Sir Fras. Eure.

Aug. 2. 6. Re-examination of the Same. Drew up a petition shown him against Sir Fras. Eure, but did not draw up the one shown him in the name of Baugh. *Annexed is,*

6. I. *Blank petition to the King, stating that, on account of Sir Fras. Eure's connexions in cos. Merioneth, Carnavon, and Anglesey, he is unfit to be Justice of Assize, and recommending Rowland Baugh to that office. Indorsed with a note that it was shown to Mr. Lloyd on his examination.*

Aug. 3. 7. Sec. Naunton to [Buckingham ?]. The Archbp. of Spalato will wait on the King with his sixth book, "De Potestate Principum." Brewster's son has conformed, and comes to church. Abstract.

Aug. 3. 8. Sir Fulk Greville to [the Same?]. Wishes to know whether Lord Digby's moneys are to be considered as without imprest or account. The officers of the works fetch their stone from quarries beyond sea. Will do his best to furnish moneys. The Conte de Tilliers and his family are at Calais, ready to sail for Dover. Abstract.

Aug. 3. The Fleet. 9. Nich. Rookwood to Sir Clement Edmondes. The Warden has put him back into the common gaol, contrary to the orders of Council, and keeps him close prisoner. Begs redress.

Aug. 3. Gorhambury. 10. The Lord Chancellor to Lord Zouch. Requests licence to serve a process against Hugh Hugginson and Josias Ente, who being within the jurisdiction of the Cinque Ports, it cannot, according to the ancient privileges of the Lord Warden, be served without his consent.

Aug. 5. Gorhambury. Proclamation of a Patent granting to Hen. Heron the salting, drying, and packing of fish, in the counties of Devon and Cornwall. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 69 *A.*]

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Aug. 6. 11. Lease from the Brewers' Company to Geo. Beale, Brewer of London, of a tenement in Fleet Street, parish of St. Bride's. *Indorsed are,*

11. I. *Note of the delivery of the tenement to Beale, by Wm. Atkinson, Clerk of the Brewers' Company, Oct.* 22, 1619.

11. II. *Assignment of the remainder of the above lease, by John Jones to Rich. Deacon, both Citizens of London, Oct.* 19, 1649. *Annexing,*

11. III. *Release by John Jones of all claims on Rich. Deacon, Oct.* 18, 1649.

Aug. 9. 12. John Leversedge to Sir Edw. Conway. Particulars of the purchase of armour, and private business.

Aug. 9. Dorney. 13. Sir John Kidderminster to [Carleton]. He and his ancestors have held the parsonage of Langley seventy years, under the Dean and Chapter of Windsor; begs that Carleton will not, by his influence with the Archbp. of Spalato, prevent him from renewing his lease, and thus ruin him.

Aug. 10. London. 14. Chamberlain to the Same. Particulars of the death of Lady Northumberland; her husband takes it so to heart that his friends are obliged to remind him of his former disputes with her, in order to lessen his grief. Visct. Haddington gone into France, in discontent that he was not created Earl of Gloucester; he rejected the offer of a Scottish Earldom. The Lord Chamberlain gone to Scotland; Lord Digby takes his place, and so will be detained till October. Lord Carew, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Sec. Naunton, are great followers of Lady Buckingham. The King does not ratify the promises of pensions to the Queen's servants; it is thought they were only made to satisfy the King of Denmark, who wrote earnestly about it. The merchants complain of a new imposition on cloth; the more so, because the whole of it, more than 10,000*l.* a year, is given to the King's favourites. A Proclamation relating to Gold issued, which will cause great loss to all who have gold, and profit none but the Master of the Mint.

Aug. 11. Margate. 15. Carleton to Chamberlain. Is detained by cross winds. A ship is sent over from the States to fetch him. Sir Peter Manwood has sent him venison.

Aug. 11. London. 16. M. La Ferté to the King. Thanks for the gift of a gold chain; praises his liberality, &c.; has been his devoted servant in heart eighteen years. French.

Aug. 13. 17. Thos. Dove, Bp. of Peterborough, to Robt. Browne. Is commissioned by the King to decide on a case about the tithes of the parsonage of Peykirk, contested between him and the Bishop's brother, Ward. Summons him to his house thereon the following day. *Annexed is,*

17. I. *Memorandum, that in the case of Browne v. Ward "no dedimus potestatem is to be assigned, in regard of contempt."*

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Aug. 14. 18. Thos. Locke to Carleton. State of Imworth; Dr. Mayerne or Sir John Shelley would like to take it. The Bp. of London has forbidden the players to bring Barnevelt upon the stage.

Aug. 16. Monday. London. 19. Sir Gerard Herbert to the Same. The King has nominated the shareholders in the plantation of Ireland; Sir Thos. Dutton has 2,000 acres. Chris. Villiers woos the Lord Mayor's daughter. Piero has confessed that the late Queen intended to build a monastery in France, and had paid 4,000*l.* towards it. Lord Northumberland means to have a great funeral for his Lady at Petworth. Lady Lisle is at Penshurst, and much bemoans her mother. Sir Edw. Villiers will gain much by the new order for gold, having the buying of all the scales.

Aug. 16. Dover Castle. 20. Lord [Zouch] to the Attorney General. To despatch Jas. Hugessen, so that he may return to be present in the Admiralty Court.

Aug. 20. Friday. London. 21. Sir Gerard Herbert to Carleton. Birth of Earl Montgomery's son. Marquis Hamilton has returned from Scotland with the Lord Chamberlain, but the Duke of Lenox remains there.

Aug. 20. London. 22. Nath. Brent to the Same. Sir Hen. Wotton has returned, but will go back to Venice if he find no better advancement. Earl Gowrie's son, whose release from the Tower was procured by Lord Haddington, has followed him into France. The match between Buckingham and the Earl of Rutland's daughter is broken off, because she will not change her religion; the mother Countesses have quarrelled, but are now reconciled.

Aug. 20. 23. Note of points discussed at a special Court of the Common Council of London. Differences about tithes. New choice of governor and officers for the Irish plantation. Constables to be allowed deputies, but not to escape the office by a fine. Places to be appointed to serve the purposes of Leadenhall Market. The wages of servants and workmen to be better rated, &c.

Aug. 21. London. 24. Paul de la Ravoire to Carleton. Thanks for favours. Is lodging with the Archbp. of Spalato, and hopes, by Buckingham's favour, to get a prebend, as promised by the King. French.

Aug. 21. Licence to Wm. Budd and others to import tobacco, for one year. [*Grant Bk., p.* 283.]

Aug. 22. Woodstock. 25. Petition of Wm. Wyatt to the King, for relief, as a maimed soldier, from the county of Oxford; will else be left to the common charity of England, which is "God help thee." Pleads the King's promise to him at Woodstock, "Thou shall not be wronged." With reference thereon to the Justices for Peace of Oxfordshire, recommending the petitioner if his tale prove true.

Aug. 23. London. 26. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. False news coined for want of real. High play of Lord Scrope with young Foster. The Prince is returning from the King, being too much restrained in his sports

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and pleasures. Sir John Villiers, Sir Jas. Ley, Sir Wm. Harvy, and young Hicks made Baronets. Sir Fras. Crane has the making of three Baronets given him, to aid his project for manufacture of tapestry. Death of Auditor Saxey. Tidings of a great spa at Wanstead, which will put down Tunbridge.

Aug. 23. Hartlebury. 27. John Thornborough, Bp. of Worcester, to Archbp. Abbot. Jonas Roades, a minister of Herefordshire, uttered improper words in the pulpit of [Gerard] Prior, without his knowledge. Prior is very penitent for his own improper language, and offers to recal it in the pulpit. Has not restored him, wishing first to consult his Grace. *Incloses,*

27. I. *Petition of numerous Clergymen of the diocese of Worcester to the Bishop, for restoration of Gerard Prior, Vicar of Eldersfield; he is maliciously accused, and has often prayed for the King. Aug.* 10.

27. II. *Petition of the Parishioners of Eldersfield to the Same, for restoration of Gerard Prior, their minister, suspended six weeks before, on an accusation, that in speaking against dancing on Sundays, he had prayed God to turn the King's heart from profaneness. His adversaries accuse him, in revenge for his informing against them for drunkenness. Eldersfield, Aug.* 14.

Aug. 23. Worcester. 28. Wm. Swaddon [Archdeacon of Worcester] to Sir Julius Cæsar. The bearer, Gerard Prior, is a learned, painful, and zealous preacher, of good character. Certain of his parishioners, being punished for disorderly conduct, have injured and threatened him, and accuse him of slandering the King, thirteen months before; they ought to be prosecuted for concealing such a thing so long. Sends verses written by himself on the Queen's funeral.

Aug. 25. Drury Lane. 29. Sir Wm. Smithe to Carleton. Thanks for kindness to his son: is sorry he left the States privately. The Prince is to visit the Lord Chancellor at Gorhambury.

Aug. 26. Clower Wall. 30. Sir W. Throgmorton to the Archbp. of Canterbury. Certifies the good conduct of Gerard Prior, Vicar of Eldersfield, called before the Council through the malice of some of his parishioners, who violently oppose his endeavours for their reformation.

Aug. 26. 31. Rolls of the Court Baron of Sir Thos. Edmondes, Secretary for the French Tongue, for Burton-on-the-Water, co. Gloucester, June 4, 1610, April 13, 1611, and Aug. 26, 1619. With similar roll of a court held by Frances Lady Chandos, widow, May 12, 1603.

Aug. 27. 32–34. Account of the forestalments already made upon certain heads of revenue, amounting to 93,030*l.*, on the revenue of 1619, 6,314*l.* on that of 1620, and 18,000*l.* on that of 1621. Three copies. The first is endorsed Aug. 24.

Aug. 27. 35. Account of the several sources of revenue, of the sums deducted therefrom by defalcations or by assignations already made, and of

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the balance remaining; with account of the customary items of expenditure and the mode of discharging them; the ordinary receipts exceeding the issues by 36,289*l.*

Aug. 27. 36. Account of the reduction in several sources of revenue, by defalcations allowed, and by the expenses of collection.

Aug. 27. 37. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The King's progress is prolonged. The players have succeeded in bringing out the play on Barnevelt, with some applause; plot of the play.

Aug. ? 38. Petition of Rich. Plumleigh to the Council, to revoke a warrant for his appearance before them, the quarrel for which he was summoned being settled. *Annexes,*

38. I. *Certificate that the quarrel between Rich. Plumleigh and Capt. Geo. Perry is extinguished, by the care of Sir Hen. Thynne and Capt. Leake. Aug.* 29.

38. II. *Certificate that the above quarrel, being about some words spoken by Plumleigh against the late Countess of Northumberland, the Earl has accepted his submission, and pardoned him.*

Aug. 30. Earles Crombe. 39. Leonard Jeffereys, Justice of Peace for Worcestershire, to the Council. Has examined several inhabitants of Eldersfield, relative to improper words spoken by their vicar Gerard Prior, which being proved, bound him over to appear at the sessions and assizes. Informed the Bishop thereof, who, on proof of the words spoken, suspended him. *Incloses,*

39. I. *Examinations of Thos. Blount and sixteen other Parishioners of Eldersfield, most of whom heard Gerard Prior pray that the King's heart might be turned from profaneness, vanity, or Popery; others heard it currently reported that he had so prayed. June* 25.

Aug. ? 40. Petition of Geo. Lopdale [alias Lobdey] to Lord Zouch, for release, having been in prison five weeks, and in a suit twelve months, under a charge of exporting wool. Confesses that he helped to carry the wool to the sea-shore, but it belonged not to him, but to his brother, John Lopdale, of Hastings.

Aug. ? 41. Petition of Hen. Cotton to the Council. Is prisoner in Cambridge for a debt contracted by his son when under age. Dr. Gosling, Vice Chancellor, granted a prohibition of the suit against him, but recalled it, in revenge for a quarrel which he had with John Swetson, Gosling's apothecary. Has languished in prison six months; being seventy years old, begs release and stay of execution against himself and sons, till the case can be heard by their Lordships, the common law not being current in the University. *Annexed is,*

41. I. *The Same to Dr. Gosling, Vice Chancellor of Cambridge. Details at length the particulars of his lawsuits with John Swetson and others. Aug.*

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Aug. ? 42. Reasons urged on behalf of the fishermen and others of Devonshire and Cornwall, against the patent granted to Hen. Heron of the sole salting and packing of fish in those counties, showing that it is contrary to ancient customs, will be very injurious to the fishing trade, and a dangerous precedent.

Aug. ? 43. Copy of the above.

Sept. 2. Bagshot. Proclamation recalling a former Proclamation of Sept. 11, 1613, prohibiting the bringing in of French wines earlier than Dec. 1, the wines proving worse thereby, and the Customs lessened. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 70.]

Sept. ? 44. Petition of Wm. Rumney, in behalf of many of the parishioners of Eldersfield, to Sir Robt. Naunton, to have Gerard Prior examined respecting his words against the King; he, being rich, tries to have the matter hushed up in the county.

Sept. 3. Gray's Inn. 45. Attorney and Solicitor General to the Council. Have considered Wm. Rumney's petition, but the evidences against Prior being somewhat discrepant, and the certificates in his favour numerous, think it better to liberate him, and refer the settlement of the matter to the Bp. of Worcester.

Sept. 3. Ludlow Castle. 46. The Earl of Northampton to Nich. Overbury and Wm. Reeves, Justices of Assize, cos. Carmarthen, Pembroke, and Cardigan. To call on Fras. Mansell to deliver up certain moneys, towards erecting a free school in Carmarthen, and to collect a benevolence from those who are willing to contribute towards so good a work.

Sept. 4. Windsor Castle. 47. The King to the Council. Sir Wm. Ayloffe and Ant. Thomas complain of hindrance in their undertaking to drain the fen-countries, for want of a reply to their proposal to rent all the Crown lands thus drained, at an improved rental of 4*d.* per acre. They offer, in order to expedite their work, to leave the rentals of the Crown lands to future decision. Orders the Council to issue all necessary letters, instructions and commissions, to forward them.

Sept. 4. Dover. 48. Certificate by Wm. Jones, Clerk of the Passage, that Fras. Harris and Wm. Brett, late prisoners in the Gatehouse, Westminster, were shipped for Calais by Theodore Vaest, servant of the Archduke's agent, by licence from Council.

Sept. 4 ? 49. Petition of Edm. Nicholson, Farmer and Collector of the Pretermitted Customs in Hull, to the King, for leave to resign his lease of 1,000*l.* a year on the above customs, being annoyed with the unjust complaints of indigent persons to whom money is due, who urge him to pay over his surplus to them on tally, instead of paying it into the Exchequer. *Annexing,*

49. I. *Statement of the manner in which he proposes to raise the 23,000l. which he demands for surrender of the above Patent.*

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Sept. 6. Commission to Roger Thorp to find out and recover all heriots due by tenants of Crown lands, from 20 Eliz. to March 1617, and grant to him of the moiety of the sums so levied. With exception in favour of Lord Denney's patent. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 6. Confirmation to Nich. Tooley of a former grant of old debts due to the Crown, which grant was lately questioned. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 6. Commission to Lewis Duke of Richmond and others, to inquire into misdemeanors within or about the King's house. [*Grant Bk., p.* 273.]

Sept. 6. Windsor. 50. Jas. Hudson to Carleton. The Archbp. of Spalato will not give Langley to Kidderminster without Carleton's leave, and the King says that, owing so much to Carleton, he is in the right, &c.

Sept. 7. Windsor. 51. The Same to the Same. The Dean [Spalato] stands firm to Carleton for Langley, and the disappointed candidate has gone to bewail himself to the King, who promises him his interest elsewhere.

Sept. 7. Eton. 52. Sir Hen. Savile to the Same. The danger [about Langley] is from the King almost commanding the Bp. [of Spalato] to grant it away. If so, he [Carleton] should put in a plea for some other suit instead, &c.

Sept. 10. 53. Recognizances of Geo. Tedder and Rich. Day, servants to John Woods of Chesterton, in 20*l.* each, to appear before Council to answer the charge of Thos. Gerrard, of Lombard Street, London, [Patentee for manufacture of farthings], for passing tokens of lead instead of farthings, at the ferry of Chesterton, in the time of Stourbridge Fair.

Sept. 11. London. 54. Chamberlain to Carleton. Death of Sir Chris. Hatton; he will be buried in Westminster Abbey. The King entertains the French Ambassador at Wanstead; his Majesty was nobly entertained by Lord St. John and the attorneys, but meanly by Sir Noel Caron and by the Earl of Northampton, of whom Archy [the Court Fool] said, that now the Earl had got what he wanted, His Majesty might see what account he made of him and his followers. Contest between Buckingham and Lord Chamberlain Pembroke, as to the right of the Chamberlain or the King to nominate to the Groom Porter's place, which His Majesty has granted to a follower of Buckingham. A brick wall building round Greenwich Park. The Palsgrave crowned King of Bohemia, a venturous step, which must end in the ruin of one party. Digby and Aston are stayed from going to Spain. Sir Thos. Roe has returned rich from the East Indies, where our people have retaliated their losses on the Hollanders.

Sept. 12. 55. Note of a charge by Thos. Garrett [or Gerrard], Patentee for making farthing tokens, against Thos. Hamerstone, Keeper of a ferry-boat at Stourbridge, for using leaden tokens given him by his master, John Woods, lessee of the ferry of Chesterton, although

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prohibited to use them any more. With certificate that John Ellis, master of the ferry, has bought farthing tokens to be used instead of lead.

Sept. 13. Grant to Rich. Greames of the office of making bills for import or export of goods, for thirty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 275.]

Sept. 13. Dover Castle. 56. Warrant from [Lord Zouch] to Mr. Randoll, to hold a Court in his manor of Chewton, co. Somerset, and receive the rents, &c.

Sept. 13. Chester. 57. Mayor of Chester to the Council. Walter Sheppard, the supposed Seminary Priest, has taken the Oath of Allegiance. Begs to know what to do with him further. Sends the evidence given against him by Horseman, prisoner in the castle for misdemeanors. *Incloses.*

57. I. *Examination of Wm. Horseman, of St. Wanwoods, co. Hereford, late servant to Lady Mountgarret. Walter Sheppard has often said mass at Ballyn, Lord Mountgarret's house in Kilkenny, and tried to pervert the servants. Was offered money by him not to tell that he was a priest. Chester, June* 8.

Sept. 13. Grant to Dr. Mayerne of annuity of 600*l.*, and of another pension of 75*l.*, and also of a pension of 300*l.* to Margaret, his wife, after his decease, on their surrender of former grants to the same amount. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Grant to Sir John Finet, in reversion after Sir Lewis Lewkenor, of the office of Master of the Ceremonies. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Presentation of Thos. Dodd, King's Chaplain, to the rectory of Malpas, diocese of Chester. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Grant to Thos. Gisborne of the King's moiety of four judgments of 60*l.* each, given against Thos. Middleton, for not receiving the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Warrant to Edw. Barrett to preserve the game of partridges near Nonsuch. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Warrant to Visct. Purbeck and others, to preserve fowl, hares, and other game, co. Cambridge, and parts adjacent. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Letter to request John Jeremy to confirm John Wood in the church of Gunton. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Letter to the two Chief Justices and others, to hear the cause depending between —— Cockayne and the daughter of John Greame, the King's servant. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Royal assent for the Bp. of Landaff elected Bp. of Chichester. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Restitution of the temporalties of the Bishopric of Norwich to Dr. Harsnet. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 13. Grant to John Banks and Rich. Brigham, on surrender of John Banks and Robt. More, of the office of Maker of the King's Coaches and other Carriages. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Grant to Sir Thos. Beaumont of discharge for the payment of 1,095*l.* made by him on being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Licence to Geo. Arundell to travel for three years. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Grant to Wm. Millington of pardon for manslaughter. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Grant to Lady Delawarr of an annuity of 500*l.* out of the customs, for services of her late husband. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 14. London. 58. Sir Robt. Killigrew to Carleton. Sends him a perspective glass, after having forty broken in getting it ground; also a greyhound for my Lady.

Sept. 14. London. 59. Sir Edw. Harwood to the Same. Baron Dona told the King that his master awaited his advice to accept the crown of Bohemia, and that the decision must be speedy; but before the Council assembled, news came that he had accepted it. The King pronounced the step rash, and said that at his age, he would not enter rashly on his support, and would first know the lawfulness of his election. The Council are wonderfully forward in it.

Sept. 15. Corry Revell, co. Somerset. 60. Marmaduke Jennings [Justice of the Peace in Somersetshire] to the Archbp. of Canterbury. Sends examinations, &c. of Thos. Hawker and Wm. Sydenham, who are bound in heavy recognizances to answer at the assizes for scandalous and seditious words. *Incloses,*

60. I. *Examination of Thos. Hawker, of the parish of Evill, co. Somerset. Was present at a quarrel between David Ford and Wm. Sydenham, in which the latter spoke of Luther and Calvin as first writing plainly on Protestantism. Warned him to be cautious, and did not encourage him. Sept.* 7.

60. II. *Examination of Wm. Sydenham, of Murlinch, co. Somerset. Quarrelled with David Ford, because he lamented the death of Mr. Rous, minister* [*of Lymington*], *who was a novelist or Puritan; abused the Puritans as upstarts, but said nothing in favour of the Church of Rome, or preferring it to Protestantism. Sept.* 7.

60. III. *Information of David Ford, of Evill, co. Somerset Heard Sydenham discoursing upon the antiquity of different religions; had a quarrel with him. He called all Protestants upstart knaves. Sept.* 7.

60. IV. *Information of Hen. Compton, of South Petherton, co. Somerset. Heard Sydenham and Hawker speak of the Protestant religion as upstart, and brought in by Luther, and of the Pope's religion as true and apostolical. Both*

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their mothers are recusants; thinks they are ill affected to Protestantism. Reproved Sydenham, who said he would repeat what he had said, even before the King. Hawker encouraged him. Sept. 7.

60. v. *Information of Thos. Laver, of Lambrook, co. Somerset. Was at Ilchester fair Aug. 30, and heard Sydenham and Hawker speak of the Romish as the true church, and call Protestantism trumpery trash, invented by Luther. Sydenham quarrelled and fought with David Ford, who said he should inform against him. Sept. 9.*

Sept. 15. Arwanack. 61. Sir John Killigrew to Carleton. Hopes soon to complete the tower of his lighthouse. The inhabitants complain that it will take away God's grace from them, as they will have no more benefit from shipwrecks. They have so long lived on the calamities of others, that they are idle. Silver, value 3,300*l.*, was taken up from a Dutch ship wrecked, which will go to the Prince.

Sept. 15. Theobalds. 62. Sir Geo. Calvert to Sir Robt. Naunton. Opened by mistake some letters addressed to him, but returns them unread.

Sept. 16. 63. Petition of Gerard Prior, Vicar of Eldersfield, to the Council, that Wm. Rumney and his confederates, who have causelessly accused him, may be punished, and compelled to pay his expenses; and that wrongs sustained by him from them may be redressed by the Council of the Marches of Wales. With the Archbp. of Canterbury's opinion thereon, in favour of the petitioner's request, and suggesting his release from suspension.

Sept. 17. Grant to Sir Wm. Garway and Sir Nich. Salter, of the customs on silks, velvets, lawns, and cambrics, for two years, at a rent of 16,000*l.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 17. Grant to Thos. Fanshaw, son of the late Sir Hen. Fanshaw, of the office of Remembrancer of the Exchequer, with like grant after him to Sir Art. Harris, in trust for performing the provision made by Sir Hen. Fanshaw, late Remembrancer, for the said Thomas and his other children; renewed by reason of the death of Sir Chris. Hatton, unto whom, and to Sir Art. Harris, a grant was made to the same uses. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 17. Grant to Endymion Porter and Rich. Peate, Farmers of goods forfeited for non-payment of customs, of permission to assign over debts to the King, to enable them to pay their rent of 800*l.* per ann. for the above goods. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 17. Grant to Hen. Bell of the new office of Surveyor of Lead, to avoid falsifying thereof by putting in stones, &c. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 17. 64. Certificate of service of notice on Jacob Braems to appear before Lord Zouch at Dover Castle, on Sept. 23, according to his bond.

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Sept. 18. Hague. 65. [Sir Dud. Carleton] to Sir John Kidderminster. Does not attempt to thrust him out of his lease, but is not willing to relinquish the promise made to him by the Archbp. of Spalato, of the reversion of it, which it is usual to grant.

Sept. 18. Letter to the Lord President of York, directing him to be truly and rightly informed in a cause depending before him, between Robt. Lisle, sen., and Robt. Lisle, jun. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 18. Warrant for payment of 20*l.* per ann. during pleasure, to Hen. Dodsworth, appointed to attend the King in hunting. [*Docquet.*]

[Sept. 18.] 66. Petition of Hen. Haggerston to the Lord Chancellor and Council, to be allowed to make his answer before the Council, being brought to town and confined, on a false charge preferred against him at Durham, by Maxwell, for harbouring a Popish priest.

Sept. 20. 67. Extract from the churchwardens' accounts of Croydon, that town, being oppressed in the carriage of saltpetre to Kingston-on-Thames, has had the road measured, and found it ten miles sixty-two roods. Also that Rich. Gilbert is threatened with ruin by the saltpetre men, who wish to dig for saltpetre in his shop, which will stay his work.

Sept. 20. Tavistock. 68. The Earl of Bath to the Council. The inhabitants of Devonshire complain that their trade will decay, and they shall be ruined, by a claim of Mr. Nicholson to the pretermitted customs on woollen cloths.

Sept. 21. Sandwich. 69. Edw. Kelk to Nicholas, in behalf of the bearer, Hen. Brough, who has a petition to Lord Zouch.

Sept. 21. 70. Account of extraordinary receipts for three years, from different heads of revenue accruing to the King, as specified.

Sept. 21. Warrant for a grant to the Earl of Somerset and his heirs, of certain fee-farm rents from Lady Day, 1617; re-granted by reason of an omission in the previous grant. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 21. Grant to Rich. Harrison of the Keepership of Battels Walk, Windsor Forest, on surrender of Sir Hen. Neville, and also of Sir Chas. Howard, who had the reversion of the same. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 22. Grant to Fras. Nethersole of an annuity of 200*l.*, in consideration of services as Secretary to the Lady Elizabeth, Electress Palatine. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 22. Letter to the Master and Fellows of Trinity College, Cambridge, for Robt. Creichton to be chosen a fellow of that house. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 22. Lease to Hen. Garway, Rich. Croshaw, Wm. Garway, and John Williams, of certain customs, subsidies, &c. on currants, at the rent of 4,128*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.*, being an increase of 1,328*l.* 19*s.* 8*d.* on the previous rent. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 22. 71. Dr. Joseph Hall to Carleton. The Bp. of Ely's house is prepared for the great Spaniard, who is daily expected. No one knows how two buckets can go down into the well at once. Has been censured for his zeal in praying for the Queen of Bohemia.

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Sept. 22. 72. Wiscome Gilberts to Carleton. Begs that his daughter may be sent home, as his wife will otherwise go over for her at once.

Sept. 22. Baynards Castle. 73. Robt. Lord Lisle to the Same. Has failed in procuring him a hound, the people of the country treating these dogs like children and fondlings, and not being willing to part with them. Sends him a good buck.

Sept. 23. Eton. 74. Sir Hen. Savile to the Same. Commissions him to purchase some large Greek type for the University of Oxford. *Incloses,*

74. 1. *Note of the exact quantity and kind of type required.*

Sept. 23. Ely. 75. Orders of the Commissioners of Sewers, consenting to the proposed undertaking of Sir Wm. Ayloffe and Sir Ant. Thomas, to drain the fens on the conditions which they propose, as detailed, and promising them all possible furtherance. Printed.

Sept. 23. 76. Court Roll admitting Roger Cleydon, son and heir of Roger Cleydon, on surrender of his father, as customary tenant of a hop-ground, in the manor of Hevingham Borough, at a Court Baron held by the Steward of Hen. Vere, Earl of Oxford. *Prefixed is,*

76. 1. *Court Roll admitting Roger Cleydon, sen., as customary tenant of the above, in the place of Robt. Sam. April* 1, 1617.

Sept. 24. Folkestone. 77. John Herdson to Lord Zouch. The suits referred to his Lordship by the King, between himself and his Lordship's servant Jenkins, who is notoriously litigious, are not worth his attention, and would be best decided by common law; names his demands upon Jenkins.

Sept. 24? 78. Notes of the complaints made by Jenkins' counsel against Mr. Herdson, and of his replies.

Sept. 24. Dover Castle. 79. Lord [Zouch] to John Herdson. Disapproves the demands of his letter. Appoints a time for settling the difference between him and Jenkins, and requests him to send a competent deputy.

Sept. 24. Barnstaple. 80. Mayor of Barnstaple to the Council. Urges an answer to his previous letter, requesting permission to return to the merchants and shipowners of Barnstaple the 250*l.* contributed towards suppressing pirates.

Sept. 24. Whitehall. 81. Earl of Pembroke to Carleton. The King will be very unwilling to engage in war if he can honourably avoid it, but, if the cause of religion and preservation of his son-in-law demand, he will show himself a defender of the faith, and a kind father-in-law. Baron Dona has gone away more discontented than needs be. The zeal of the Council will prevail against those who are too much nourished with Spanish milk.

Sept. 25. 82. Bill of the servants [of Sir Edw. Conway], for a week's charge for dogs, hawks, horses, diet, &c.

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Sept. 26. London. 83. Sir Gerard Herbert to Carleton. The King, in presence of Baron Dona and the Council, promised to be a kind father-in-law to the King of Bohemia, but must first know the grounds of his election. The Prince, Buckingham, and Countess of Leicester are to be sponsors to the Earl of Montgomery's son.

Sept. 28. Lease to Lord Hobart, Thos. Murray, and other officers of the Prince of Wales, nominated by him, until he is of age, of divers honors, manors, and lands, with provisoes for the Prince's benefit. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 28. Grant to the Prince of Wales, of divers honors, castles, lordships, and manors, value 3,856*l.* 2*s.* 11*d.* per ann., as part of 5,000*l.* intended by the King for his better support. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 28. Grant to the Same, of Denmark House, and divers small tenements in the Strand thereto belonging, together with certain household stuff and furniture, as expressed in schedules. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 28. Grant to the Same, of an annuity of 20,867*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.* from the revenues of the Exchequer, to be passed under the Great Seal as formerly granted under the Privy Seal. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 28. Grant to Sir Chas. Howard, of the office of Steward of Windsor Castle and Keeper of the Seal for causes arising in Windsor Forest, which office he now holds by grant from the Earl of Nottingham, as Constable of Windsor Castle. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 28. Grant to ——— Salisbury, widow, of a Sister's place in St. Katherine's Hospital, near the Tower. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 28. Grant, in reversion, to Thos. Asten, alias Painter, of an almsroom at Ewelme, co. Oxford. [*Docquet*]

Sept. 29. Folkestone. 84. John Herdson to Lord Zouch. Further statement of his cause against Jenkins, who hinders, by false statements, the clear understanding of their quarrel, which is to be settled by his Lordship; gives particulars of the lands for which Jenkins is his tenant. *Annexes,*

84. 1. *Particulars of arrears of rents due by Jenkins to Herdson.*

Sept. 29. Sandwich. 85. Edw. Kelk to Nicholas. Requests a copy of the petition of Glover and his partners against him.

Sept. ? 86. Petition of Jas. Glover, Walter Southwell, and Geo. Young, of Canterbury, to Lord Zouch, that he would determine a cause between them and Edw. Kelk, customer of Sandwich, who seized certain nutmegs belonging to them, on a false accusation of their being uncustomed.

Sept. 29. 87. Gunners of Dover Castle to [Lord Zouch]. Presentment of such amongst them as have been defaulters in transgressing the

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articles laid down for them, as to continued attendance on their posts, non-admission of strangers, care of the gates, &c.

Sept. 29. 88. Statement of discrepancies in Mr. Conier's accounts for the rents at Ragley [received for Sir Edw. Conway].

Sept. 30. Lease to Sir John Wolstenholme, Abraham Jacob, and others, of the customs and duties on sweet wines for eight years, on rent of 10,873*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.*, being an advance of 1,878*l.* 19*s.* 9*d.* on the previous rent. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Lease to Sir Nich. Salter, Hen. Garway, and others, of the customs and duties on Rhenish wines, for nine years, on rent of 28,997*l.* 0*s.* 10*d.*, being an increase of 5,500*l.* [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Grant to Silvester Ramsay, of the place of Trumpeter in Ordinary, in the room of Robt. Wroth, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Warrant for delivery of stuff, &c. to Silvester Ramsay, for his livery. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Grant, in reversion, to Isabel Davies, of a Sister's place in the Hospital of St. Katharine's. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Grant, in reversion, to Thos. Edwards, of an almsroom in Christchurch, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. ? 89. Order by the King to the Dean of the Chapel, to allow no one to preach before him who will not freely subscribe articles acknowledging his Majesty's supremacy, approving the Book of Common Prayer, and the Thirty-nine Articles.

Sept. 90. List of the Tenants of Oriel College, in Dean, co. Oxford, Shenington, co. Gloucester, and Swanswick, co. Somerset.

Oct. 1. 91. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Sends letters from Sec. Naunton, Sir Hen. Savile, and the Earl of Salisbury. An Ambassador Extraordinary has arrived from Savoy.

Oct. 1. 92. Obligation by Reynold Evering, of Hythe, Kent, to pay to Jacob Braems, of Dover, a debt of 20*l.*

Oct. 2. Thistleworth. 93. Sir Horace Vere to Carleton. Great longing for news of the King of Bohemia's coronation. The King going to Theobalds and Royston. Much suing for the command of the troops to go to Bohemia, but his Majesty has not yet resolved to send any.

Oct. 2. London. 94. Chamberlain to the Same. Lady Fanshaw has got her eldest son sworn into the office [of King's Remembrancer] since the decease of Sir Chris. Hatton, whose easy kindness would have ruined his own estate had he lived long. The King has been at Whitehall, but is now at Theobalds. Sir Thos. Roe has presented him with two antelopes, a rich tent, &c., from the Great Mogul, but has little for himself; hopes the East India Company will remember him. Sir Thos. Smythe has sent his son's tutor Capt. Brett, to the Marshalsea, for taking his son abroad under a false licence. The dispute about the Groom-portership is said to be settled by mediation, and the Lord

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Chamberlain's protegé in possession of the place. Sec. Naunton married to Lady Lower. The Spanish agent is still allowed access to the King, but Lord Digby is detained till the return of Simon Digby, who was sent in haste to Spain. The King dismissed Baron Dona coldly, disapproving of the Prince Palatine's election as factious, and refusing to embark his subjects, who are as dear to him as his children, in an unjust war.

Oct. 2. 95. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The Savoy Ambassador to be feasted at Theobalds.

Oct. 3. 96. Notes of experiments made on the planting of trees and seeds, &c.; the position of shadows at certain hours [by Sam. Willingham, parson of Stane, co. Lincoln?] from June 12.

Oct. 3. Sandwich. 97. Edw. Kelk to Nicholas, to favour the petition of Peter Blanckart, who has a suit with Sir Wm. Monyns.

[Oct. 3.] 98. Petition of Peter Blanckart to Lord Zouch, to terminate a cause between him and Sir Wm. Monyns, Bart., to whom he lent 100*l.*, chiefly orphan money vested in his hands, and who fails to perform the conditions of the loan, or to restore the money.

Oct. 3. Dover Castle. 99. Order by Lord Zouch to the Constable, &c. of River, for the arrest of John Lad, Rich. Baker, and Geo. Mempase, all of River, charged with stealing fish from the river at Dover.

Oct. 4. Dover Castle. 100. Warrant by the Same, appointing the Captains and Lieutenants of Sandown, Deal, and Walmer Castles, and others, Commissioners for the passage between Sandwich and Dover.

Oct. 5. 101. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Greater difficulty than ever in getting money. It is thought that letters from Bohemia must be intercepted by the way, they are so long in coming.

Oct. 5. Hereford. 102. [Justices of Peace of Herefordshire? to the Council]. Certify the good character of Philip Traherne, summoned before Council by John Clark, late Mayor of Hereford.

Oct. ? 103. Petition of Rich. Bourne, prisoner in Dover Castle, to Lord Zouch, for release. Is willing to pay for the anchor and cable which he took up in behalf of Sir Thos. Pelham, but begs he may not be compelled to avouch anything about the Admiralty jurisdiction, of which he is ignorant.

Oct. 5. 104. Process, in the Admiralty Court of the Cinque Ports, Aug. 19, against Rich. Bourne, of Hollington, for taking an anchor and cable within that jurisdiction, which he refused to give up, claiming it as belonging to Sir Thos. Pelham, Bart., in right of the rape of Hastings, for which offence he was imprisoned. He now acknowledges that it was taken up within the Cinque Ports, and stands bound to give it up, or to pay 40*l.* *Annexed is,*

104. I. *Presentment by the Jury of the Admiralty of Rich. Bourne in the above cause. Aug.* 19.

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Oct. 6. 105. Muster roll of the garrison of Sandown Castle.

Oct. 6. 106. Muster roll of the garrison of Walmer Castle.

Oct. 6. Dover Castle. 107. Licence from Lord Zouch for Fras. Gournoise, of Dieppe, nominated by the Governor of Dieppe, to fish on the English coasts. With note of inrolment in the Court of Dover and Hundred Book of Rye.

Oct. 6. Dover Castle. 108-115. Similar licences to Lewis Flouest, Binot Freshon, Nich. Dronaulx, Jehan Sauvier, Nich. de Brest, David Caurne, John Gillett, and John Pollett, fishermen of Dieppe. Indorsed on that of Gillett is a note of the surrender of these licences for cancelling, Nov. 29, 1620, and that those of Treport were not renewed for 1620.

Oct. 7. 116. Muster roll of the garrison of Arch-cliff Bulwark.

Oct. [7 ?] 117. Duplicate of the above, with slight alteration and addition.

Oct. 7. 118. Muster roll of the garrison of Mote's Bulwark.

Oct. 7. 119. Duplicate of the above, with alterations.

Oct. 7. 120. Muster roll of the garrison of Dover Castle.

Oct. 7. 121. Muster roll of the garrison of Sandgate Castle.

Oct. 7. Marlborough. 122. Justices of Peace of Wiltshire to the Council. Requests them to summon Wm. Hackett and others, common informers, who greatly disturb the trade between Wiltshire and Somersetshire, by compelling the chapmen, who deal between the counties, to compound for licences, though already duly licensed. They avoid punishment by removing their recognizances for indictments from the Quarter Sessions to some other Court.

Oct. 9. Lambeth. 123. Archbp. Abbot to the Bp. of Peterborough. The King complains that some of the clergy omit his titles in praying for him, and omit to pray for the Archbishops and Bishops, and requires uniform enforcement of the canons prescribed thereon. Requests his attention to this in his diocese, and also to the repair of churches, the want of which is much complained of. *Annexed is,*

123. 1. *Bp. of Peterborough to his Chancellor, requiring careful attention to the above instructions. Oct.* 18.

Oct. 9. 124. Copy of the above.

Oct. 9. Grange. 125. Geo. Carleton to Sir D. Carleton. Death of his wife. Will give his son Dudley the same allowance as he had at Cambridge. Family affairs.

Oct. 10. Newcastle. 126. Certificate of proceedings of the Mayor, &c. of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, and other Commissioners for preservation of the river, from Easter to Michaelmas, 1619, in preventing the throwing of ballast into the river, repair of wharfs, staiths, &c.

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Oct. 10. 127. Note of the distribution of 4*l.* [to the servants of Archbp. Abbot], at the consecration of the Bp. of Llandaff.

Oct. 10. Royston. Proclamation for encouragement of the manufacture of gold and silver thread, now taken into the King's hands, that none shall be imported, and none sold unless stamped by the agents, and that all purchases of gold and silver thread, or of metal for making them, be registered under a heavy penalty, to avoid deceit, &c. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 71.]

Oct. 11. Westminster. Extracts from the charter to the Company of Gold Beaters of London, prohibiting the importation of gold and silver foliat and tin and copper foil. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 71 *a.*]

Oct. 11. 128. [Abel] Barnard to Carleton. Has a son, Dudley, born. Thinks Wraysbury is worth 140*l.* a year, and the lease will expire in four years. Langley is worth 160*l.* or 180*l.*, but will be a year longer before it is free. Advises Carleton to be merciful towards his kinsman [Sir John Kidderminster], and to accept the former.

Oct. 13. Hereford. 129. Dean and Canons of Hereford to the Council. Certify the good character, &c. of Philip Traherne. Hope the quarrel between him and the late Mayor may soon be settled, lest it disturb the peace of the see.

Oct. 13. Hereford. 130. Citizens of Hereford to the Earl of Pembroke, Steward of Herefordshire. Certify the good conduct of Phil. Traherne, and his care to procure for the surcharged inhabitants satisfaction for sums imposed upon them without accounts rendered.

Oct. 14. Baltimore. 131. Chris. Wilson to Ambrose Randolph. Apologizes for his sudden departure, and not paying for his horse.

Oct. 14. Restitution of temporalties for the Bishop of Chichester. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 14. Licence to Alphonso Ferabosco, Innocent Lanier, and Hugh Lydiard, to cleanse the Thames of flats and shelves, with grant of the fines, &c. incurred under Statutes 27 & 34 Henry VIII., for annoyances in the river, of permission to sell the sand and gravel they dig out, and of an allowance of 1*d.* per ton on strangers' goods imported and exported. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 14. Letter to the Lord Chancellor to hear a cause of Hen. Wroth v. Sir Art. Mainwaring and Mr. Wintern, concerning a legacy left by Sir Fras. Woolley to his child. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 14. Grant to Robt. Thompson, born in Scotland, of denization. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 14. Re-grant to Dr. Mayerne of a pension of 600*l.* per ann., with another of 75*l.* for hire of his house, and of 300*l.* per ann. for his wife, for twenty-one years after his decease. This was formerly signed, but had not passed the seals before Michaelmas, whereby it became defective. [*Docquet.*]

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Oct. 15. Grant to John Brook and others, of the office of Receiver and Collector of Fines and Forfeitures due upon penal laws, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 281.]

Oct. 15. Westminster. 132. The King to the Council. Desires to be informed whether the grant to the pinmakers of the pre-emption of pins be contrary to the treaty with the Low Countries, or otherwise prejudicial to the subject.

Oct. 16. London. 133. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir John Whitbrook killed in the Fleet by Boughton, a fellow prisoner, of whose turbulence he had often complained. Deer-stealers in Hyde Park.

Oct. 16. 134. Thos. Locke to the Same. Can get no money for him. If something be not done soon for Ambassadors, they will petition the King. Mr. Cottington is two years in arrears. Curteen, Burlamachi, and Stampiel, their attorney, fined in the Star Chamber, because the attorney promised to get them through their suit by inducing the principal witness to recant. Many commendations were passed on Burlamachi, whose fault is said to be from indiscretion.

Oct. 16. Huntingdon. 135. Order by the Commissioners of Sewers, that as the owners of lands have not appeared, according to proclamation, to contract with Sir Wm. Ayloffe and Sir Ant. Thomas, for draining their lands, the sum of 20*s.* per acre be paid by the parties profited by the draining, or, in default of payment, such portion of the drained lands as shall be allowed by the Commissioners. Printed.

Oct. 18. 136. Matthew Sylam, late Master Gunner of Flushing, to Lord [Zouch]. Has come to settle under his government, hearing of his goodness to old servants. Begs an appointment at Sandwich. His wife and children understanding only Dutch, wishes to settle where they can have Dutch preaching.

Oct. 19. 137. Commissioners of the Navy to the Council. The grant of Mr. Burrell's petition for permission to go over to Ireland on a lawsuit would be very injurious, he being the principal man for building and repairing ships, &c.

Oct. 19. 138. Recognizances of John King, of Southwark, in 200*l.*, and of Rich. Gladwin and Fras. Pitt, of Southwark, in 100*l.* each, for surrender by King of his warrant to take up post-horses, within five miles of Southwark, and for his good behaviour in his place as postmaster, his ill-conduct therein having been complained of.

Oct. 20. 139. Certificate by John King, that Paul Axhall, Postmaster of Bishopsgate Without, receives a contribution from the innkeepers of London, to spare their horses in the provision of post-horses for His Majesty's travels; that he has lost 200*l.* by providing horses, and that, on the King's removing days, he sends warrants for horses from Southwark.

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Oct. 20. Beaumaris, Anglesey. 140. Mayor and Bailiffs of Beaumaris to the Council. Certify that Sir Rich. Bulkeley, of Beaumaris, is sick of the jaundice, and unable to travel.

Oct. 20. Beaumaris. 141. Sir Rich. Bulkeley to the Same. Is unable to attend them through illness; thought the business was ended, the person calling himself his son being slain; is willing to give 592*l.*, the sum prescribed, but wishes it to be bestowed for the good of the children; if the widow have it, it will go to others and never benefit them.

Oct. 20. 142. Sir Clement Edmondes to Lord Chief Justice Montague. Sends examinations of Thos. Hawker and Wm. Sydenham, and desires him to decide on their case. [*See Sept.* 15.] *Annexed is,*

142. I. *Sir Hen. Montague to Sir Clement Edmondes. The idle and drunken words of Hawker and Sydenham are not ground enough for the accusation. Has administered the Oath of Allegiance to them, and as they are bound to appear at the assizes in their own county, thinks they have had punishment enough, and may be dismissed.*

Oct. 21. 143. Garrison of Arch-cliff Bulwark to Lord Zouch. Presentments of defaulters against the articles laid down for them, as to attendance on duty, opening and shutting the gates, wearing proper armour, &c.

Oct. 21 ? 144. Similar presentments by the garrison of Mote's Bulwark, of defaults committed since the musters of 1618.

Oct. 21. Confirmation to the Bailiffs and Burgesses of Bridport, of their charters, with additional privileges. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 21. Grant to Hugh and Wm. Bullock, on surrender of Hugh Bullock, of the Keepership of the books and registers of the ships' entries for imports, and of the making of bills of ships laden in the Port of London. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 25. Dover. 145. Wm. Ward, Mayor of Dover, to Lord Zouch. Refused to obey a writ sent by Sir Thos. Pelham from the Lord Chief Justice, for removal of Rich. Bourne, prisoner in Dover Castle, thinking it contrary to the privileges of the Castle.

Oct. ? 146. Petition of Wm. Oldfield, an ancient Castle man, to the Same. Is imprisoned at the suit of Geo. Donkin, of Dover, who was surety for him for a debt. Pleads for exemption from arrest, as belonging to Dover Castle.

Oct. 25. Dover. 147. Mayor of Dover to the Same. Has not released Wm. Oldfield, of Buckland parish, who, being arrested, claimed privilege of exemption, as one of the guard of Dover Castle, because he has not been enrolled in the book for two years past. Will liberate him, if his Lordship still considers him one of the guard; if not, the law must proceed.

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Oct. 26. Warrant for the Chancellor of the Exchequer to take out of the Secret Jewel House in the Tower a collar of gold set with ten knots of pearls, &c., and for the Commissioners of the Treasury to treat for sale thereof. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 26. Warrant to pay the purchase money of lands compounded for to enlarge Theobalds Park, and to advance moneys for expenses for enclosing the same. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 28. Serjeants' Inn. 148. Warrant by Lord Chief Justice Montague [to the Officers of the Cinque Ports], for arrest of Alex. Brett, Edw. Tucker, Sir John Manwood, and Thos. Beare, who are going abroad to fight.

Oct. 30. London. 149. Chamberlain to Carleton. The deer-stealers were executed at Hyde Park Gate, and also a poor labourer, who was hired for 16*d.* to hold their dogs. The clergy of London are cited before the Bishop for not giving the King his proper titles, and for not praying for archbishops and bishops. Simon Digby has returned from Spain, whither Lord Digby is going; 13,000*l.* of the 20,000*l.* needed for his journey is given him in land, to be his if not redeemed in two years, though worth twice as much. Ely House is preparing for the Spanish Ambassador; it will disgrace religion to have mass publicly said in a bishop's chapel. The Earl of Suffolk's cause has been five days already in hearing; he is charged with defrauding the King of 240,000*l.* in jewels, but pleads His Majesty's pardon; also with frauds in the alum business; false payments for Ireland; extortion and corruption, &c. Bp. Carleton is to marry Sir Hen. Neville's widow. Père Coton, a French Jesuit, gives out that all the Jesuits in China and Japan have been publicly whipped, on complaint of the English and Hollanders that they are mere spies.

Oct. ? 150. Pasquil on Pierre Coton, the Jesuit. French.

Oct. 31. Netherham. 151. Sir Edw. Hext [Justice of Peace of Somersetshire] to the Council. Called Benj. Haynes, a notorious offender, before him, to answer for failure of service to the King, when Haynes charged Wm. Michell, of Ottery, of seditious words against His Majesty, because the King was offended with the petition about King's Sedgemoor. Michell being an honest man, and the accusation unproved, did not prosecute, and understands Haynes is informing against him for neglect. Hopes he will not be ill thought of, after forty-two years' service.

Oct. 31. 152. Thos. Dixon, Serjeant-at-Arms, to the Same. Went to apprehend Sir Rich. Bulkeley, sen., but he was prevented coming by illness. He paid to the Mayor, &c. of Beaumaris the 592*l* ordered for his late son's widow, and as to the pension of 40*l.* a year, he leaves the decision to the Council.

Oct. 153. Account of payments made by Wm. Bird, Collector of the Petty Customs in London, from 12 Eliz. to 17 Jac. I., in part of his debt; total 175,479*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.*

Oct. ? 154. Petition of the Drapers of Shrewsbury to the Council. Complain that, contrary to their Lordships' order, confining the

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trade in Welsh cottons to them, Thos. Matthews and John Dito, mercers of Shrewsbury, and Thos. Davies of London, recently made a freeman at Oswestry, have intermeddled therein. Request redress.

Oct.? 155. Petition of the Drapers of Shrewsbury and Oswestry to the Council, that Thos. Davies, draper of London, who has deceitfully obtained admission to the freedom of Oswestry, and buys Welsh cottons, which he sells privately in London, and not at Blackwell Hall, may be restrained from so doing in future.

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Nov. 1. Westminster. Warrant for instalment to Geo. Carleton, Bp. of Chichester, of 609*l.* 7*s.* 1½*d.*, the first fruits of his see, to be paid in four years. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 1.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 5.]

Nov. 1. Westminster. Warrant for instalment to Theoph. Field, Bp. of Llandaff, of 139*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*, the first fruits of his see. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 2.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 5.]

Nov. 1. Westminster. Grant to Nich. Heale, of Harford, Devon, of pardon for coining Spanish coin, for which he has been in prison eleven years. Latin. [*Sign. Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 3.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 5.]

Nov. 2. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 216*l.* 1*s.* 11*d.* to Sir John Spilman, for jewellery work. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 4.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 5.]

Nov. 2. Westminster. Warrant for payment to Genevieve, widow of John Gordon, late Dean of Salisbury, for her maintenance, of the first fruits of the deanery, when paid in by Dr. John Williams, present Dean. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 5.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 5.]

Nov. 2. Dover. 1. John Reading to Nicholas. Requests him to deliver his answers to Dr. Zouch's queries. Report from Middleburgh that Bacon is dead, and Brames sick.

Nov. 2. Westminster. Commission to Sir Lionel Cranfield and others, to examine into the King's debts in the offices of the Household, Navy, Ordnance, Wardrobe, &c.; also into fees, pensions, annuities, and debts due to the Crown, &c., and to treat for compositions thereof. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 6.]

[Nov. 2.] 2. Abstract of the above.

Nov. 2. Westminster. Re-grant to Rich. Cote, of Woodcot, co. Salop, of annuity of 5*l.* per ann., with arrears, left him by his father, but by mistake transferred with certain lands, of which he vested the remainder in the Crown. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 7.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 5.]

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Nov. [2 ?] 3. Sir Wm. Cockayne, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. The butcher who insulted the French Ambassador has fled, and is not yet apprehended. The offence was in Southwark, not in the City.

Nov. 3. Dover. 4. Mayor of Dover to Lord Zouch. Forwards a writ of habeas corpus, sent by Sir Thos. Pelham to Lord Zouch for [Rich.] Bourne.

Nov. 3. Grant to Geo. Marquis of Buckingham of a place in the Council for the plantation of New England. [*Grant Bk., p.* 283.]

Nov. 3. Similar grant to Thos. Earl of Arundel. [*Ibid., p.* 281.]

Nov. 4. Westminster. Grant to Cæsar Calandrini, of Stade, preacher of the word of God in London, of denization. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 8.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 5.]

Nov. 4. Westminster. Covenant between the King and Rich. Paule and Stephen Harvey, on behalf of Eliz. and Sir Ralph Freeman, executors of the late Martin Freeman, indemnifying them against any trouble respecting the alum works, their interest being now vested in the other partners. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 9.]

Nov. 5. Docquet of the above.

Nov. 5. Westminster. Warrant to pay 81*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* to Dr. Robt. Tounson, Dean of St. Peters, Westminster, for allowances for himself and others there, for the burial of the Queen. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 10.]

Nov. 5. Docquet of the above.

Nov. 5. Grant to John Jones of an almsroom in Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Nov. 5. Warrant to Sir Robt. Vernon to take up fifty brace of partridges and fifty brace of hares yearly, and turn them out at Newmarket, or wherever the King shall appoint, for preservation of the game. [*Docquet.*]

Nov. 5. Letter to the Chief Baron and Attorney General, to enter a decree in the Court of Exchequer to make void a lease granted to Sir John Dackombe, in trust for the Earl of Somerset, for furnishing the King with French and Gascony wines. [*Docquet.*]

Nov. 5. Philip Lane. 5. Lord Zouch to the Committee of Council for the business between the Merchant Adventurers and the Cinque Ports. Understands that both parties are to produce their charters before the King's Counsel-at-Law. Prays a speedy order for ending the differences.

Nov. 5. 6. Copy of the above.

Nov. 6. Chancery Lane. 7. Sir Thos. Chamberlain to Sir Clement Edmondes. Requests him to send Sir Thos. Middleton's letter and his own to the Attorney General, who desires to see them.

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Nov. 6. 8. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The Treasury Commissioners are sitting upon balancing the King's revenue and expenses, and on the sale of the old Tower plate. Proceedings on the case of the Earl and Countess of Suffolk; the charges against him only came to extortion amounting to 3,000*l.* in four years, divided among seventeen persons; her faults were those of a good wife, and thus little is made of it.

Nov. 6. Westminster. Grant to Wm. and Nich. Dackombe, executors of the late Sir John Dackombe, and to Abraham Jacob, of his lease of the privilege of serving the King's household with French wines, for 450*l.*, half-year's rent, on their payment of the same to the Duke of Lenox, to whom it is granted by the King, the rent of 900*l.* per ann., originally due to the Earl of Somerset, devolving on the Crown by his attainder. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 12.]

Nov. 6. Westminster. Presentation of John Baylie to the rectory of Llanddyfnan, co. Anglesey, with the Chapelries of Llanvaise, Bathavrn, Ythor, and Pentrith annexed, void by promotion of Lancelot Bulkeley to the Archbishopric of Dublin. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 13.]

Nov. 8. Docquet of the above.

Nov. 8. Westminster. Grant to Walter Manning, of London, of pardon for the death of Rich. Newbery. He was only a bystander, and never prosecuted for it, but desires this pardon for his security. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 14.]

Nov. 8. Westminster. Grant to Erasmus Dryden, of Cannons Ashby, co. Northampton, of discharge for 1,100*l.* paid by him on his being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 15.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 11.]

Nov. 9. Bramsell. 9. Wm. Hibbyns to Nicholas. Particulars of a highway robbery committed on him near Blackwater. He was left stript and bound, and his lord [Lord Zouch]'s gelding stolen.

Nov. 9. 10. Bond by Sir Thos. Wilson, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, Westminster, in 40*l.*, to pay 20*l.* to Sir Wm. Pitt, of Westminster.

Nov. 9. Norwich. 11. Justices of Peace of Norfolk to the Council. Pray that the importation of foreign corn may be prohibited, the great plenty of the last two years having brought down corn so low that any further reduction will ruin the farmers. Indorsed with the opinion of the Lords Chief Justices against import of corn, whilst at its present prices. With opinion in favour of the request, by the Lords Chief Justices.

Nov. 9. Westminster. Grant to Whorwood Shadwell, on surrender in his behalf by Fras. Ogle, of the office of Serjeant-at-Arms. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI. *No.* 16.]

Nov. 9. Westminster. Grant to Sir Giles Mompesson, of the Surveyorship of the profits of the Company of the New River, brought from Chadwell and Amwell to London, with authority to be present at all their meetings, inspect their accounts, &c., and grant to him of 200*l.* per ann., from the King's moiety of the profits of the said river. [*Ibid., No.* 17.]

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Nov. 9. Westminster. Warrant to pay 61*l.* 15*s.* to Sir Robt. Napier, for reparations at Grafton and Perry Parks, co. Northampton; and 60*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* additional to Robt. Treswell and Rich. Arrowsmith, for Bearwood Walk, Windsor Forest; also to pay other sums needful for relief of the deer in the above parks. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 18.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 11.]

Nov. 9. Westminster. Grant to Tim. Smith of fines of 500 and 100 marks imposed upon him and his servant Thos. Barrow, in the Star Chamber of Ireland, for riots, the Justices of Peace of Worcestershire certifying that he is too poor to pay them. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 19.]

Nov. 10. Theobalds. Proclamation enforcing the viewing and sealing of all tobacco imported, and reciting the terms of the patent of viewing and sealing thereof, granted May 25, 1619, to Fras. Nichols, Jasper Leake, and Phil. Eden. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 72.]

Nov. 10. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Smart, a Scot, of denization. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 20.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 11.]

Nov. 10. Westminster. Grant to John Dackombe, the heir, and Wm. and Rich. Dackombe, the executors of Sir John Dackombe, of release of his contract for supplying the Household with French wine. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 21.]

Nov. 11. Westminster. Grant to Erasmus Dryden, of Cannons Ashby, co. Northampton, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 22.]

Nov. 11. Docquet of the above.

Nov. 11. Warrant to Sir Percival Willoughby and Sir Geo. Chaworth, to preserve the King's game of hares and partridges within seven miles of Nottingham. [*Docquet.*]

Nov. 11. Dover. 12. Wm. Jones to Nicolas. Wm. Whitmore, brother of his prisoner, Rich. Whitmore, finding him not conformable, wishes to have him liberated or banished. Hopes to obtain from his brother the money expended on him.

Nov. 12. Whitehall. 13. The Council to Lord Zouch. To see that the money contributed by the Cinque Ports towards the expedition against pirates is ready on Dec. 30, the King intending to proceed with the expedition in spring.

Nov. 12. Lincoln. 14. Dan. Harby and Thos. Disney, Justices of Peace, to Sir Hen. Hobart and Sir Edw. Bromley, Justices of Assize, for Lincolnshire. Have imprisoned Avery Partridge, Clerk, accused by Geo. Thomson of seditious words. Partridge says that Thomson accuses him out of malice, because he prosecuted him for non-payment of tithes. Asks whether bail may be accepted; Partridge being a minister, his detention till the assizes would be very inconvenient. *Incloses,*

14. I. *Warrant from Dan. Harby and Thos. Disney, to the Gaoler of Lincoln Castle, to receive Avery Partridge into custody. Somerton Castle, Nov.* 10.

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14. II. *Information of Wm. Ward, of Carleton-in-Moreland, and Rich. Daubeney, of Navenby, co. Lincoln. Geo. Thomson told them that Avery Partridge, Parson of North Scarle, said the King was a robber of the country for granting licences for the exportation of gold. Kesteven, Lincoln, Nov.* 9*; confirmed by oath, Nov.* 10.

14. III. *Information of Geo. Thomson, to the same effect. Kesteven, Nov.* 10.

14. IV. *Examination of Avery Partridge. Utterly denies using any such language; his servant Robt. Naylor, heard what passed between him and Thomson, which was only on matters of husbandry. Kesteven, Nov.* 10.

14. V. *Examination of Robt. Naylor, servant of Avery Partridge. Was present at the interview between his master and Geo. Thomson, but they only spoke on private matters; heard nothing said about the King. Kesteven, Nov.* 11.

Nov. 12. Rich. Wingfield to Carleton. The King has taken the Navy accounts, and found that the Commissioners, at half the expense of former years, have done all the work, and built two new ships. The Earl of Suffolk is more pitied than condemned, the Countess more condemned than pitied; Sir John Bingley both pitied and condemned; another bill is preparing against him. [*Holl. Corresp., Nov.* 12.]

Nov. 12. Eton. 15. Sir Hen. Savile to the Same. Advises him to keep to Langley, as the Bp. of Spalato wavers about Wraysbury, but will retain Langley for him, unless the King is earnest for Kidderminster. Prefers the Prince [of Orange's] magnanimity to our coldness in the Bohemian affair.

Nov. 13. London. 16. Chamberlain to the Same. Sir Dud. Diggs has spoken to the East India Company about [a present for] Carleton, but he finds them cold, Carleton never having been named in their late treaty with the States. The King went to Deptford to see the two ships built by the Commissioners of the Navy, and congratulated the new Admiral on his choice of officers who reduce the Navy expense from 60,000*l.* to 30,000*l.* a year, and yet build two new ships, and repair the old; he called the ships, in memory thereof, "Buckingham's Entrance," and "Reformation." Candidates for the Treasurership; Earl Arundel works for it through Buckingham and his mother; Sir Fulk Greville pleads his long experience; the Lord Chief Justice would buy it, and a double harvest might then be reaped by raising the Attorney and Solicitor General. Sir Robt. Naunton has no other plea, but "his slowe and sowre austeritie;" his Lady tries to recover 30,000*l.* a year in land, as heir to her father, Sir Thos. Perrot, who pretended to be heir general to Lord Cheyney. Pricking for Sheriffs. Lord Digby's journey postponed.

Nov.? 17. Answer of the Earl of Suffolk to the charges preferred against himself, with his Countess, and Sir John Bingley in the Court

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of Star Chamber, of frauds in his lease of currants, in his dealings about the royal jewels, payments to Sir Roger Dallison, the alum contracts and payments for the Navy in Ireland; also his receiving gratuities, &c., all which he denies or explains away.

Nov. 13. 18. Detail of proceedings in the Star Chamber on the accusation of the Earl of Suffolk, his Lady, and Sir John Bingley of fraudulent dealing concerning jewels, the Ordnance, and the alum works; of malversation of the King's treasure, and extortion on the subject; particulars of the accusations; as they could give no satisfying answer, Sir Edw. Coke voted for the Earl and Countess to be fined 100,000*l.*, with imprisonment at pleasure, and restitution of money taken by extortion; and Sir John Bingley 5,000*l.*, imprisonment in the Fleet, and restitution. Several voted with him, but the majority with Lord Chief Justice Montague, who reduced the Earl and Countess's fine to 30,000*l.*, and Sir John Bingley's to 2,000*l.* The Lord Chancellor concluded, as his manner is, with a speech in praise of the King.

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Sir Phil. Balfour, on surrender of Sir Jas. Spence, of a pension of 200*l.* [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 23.]

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Alex. Levingston, of the office of Keeper of Sunninghill Park, with reversion to Jas. Levingston, on surrender of a former grant to Jas. Levingston, with reversion to Alex. Levingston. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 24.]

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Fras. Earl of Rutland, on surrender of Lord Admiral Buckingham, of the office of Lord Chief Justice in Eyre beyond Trent. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 25.]

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Norris of the first Prebend's place in Bristol which shall become vacant. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 26.]

Nov. 13. Westminster. Licence to Sir Thos. Edmondes to alienate from the Crown, and to grant away, 320 acres, parcel of the manor of Burton-on-the-Water, co. Gloucester, to be held of him in soccage, on condition of his purchasing lands of equal value, to be held by him from the Crown. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 27.]

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Robt. Tomlinson, Simon Brinsmead, and Geo. Brinsmead, on surrender of Sir John Michell, of the office of signing all writs of "Supersedeas quia improvide," in the Common Pleas. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 28.]

Nov. 13. 19. Petition of Emanuel Alley to Lord Zouch, for protection from the multitude of suits brought against him by Jones, Dent, and others, on behalf of the town of Dover, and for copies of the records relating to his office and the Petty Customs.

Nov. 14. 20. Bill of the ordnance stores provided for His Majesty's ship Speedwell, and also for the Lion, Goodwill of Woodbridge, Mercury, and Spy, appointed togo on the expedition against pirates.

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Nov. 14. Lincoln. 21. [Justices of Peace of Lincolnshire] to Sir Clement Edmondes, Muster-master General. Certify the good conduct of Lieut. Thos. Johnson, who has served twenty years in the wars, and request that he may have a pension, to be provided by the county.

Nov. 15. 22. Report of a tumultuous assemblage, on Oct. 28, before the house of the French Ambassador, resulting from a quarrel between his boy and a carman, in which his servants and other passers-by took part; a constable who went to appease them, being taken into the Ambassador's house, a report was circulated that he was slain there, and much uproar arose, which was stilled by his re-appearance, when the people dispersed.

Nov. 15. 23. Report of the Clergy commissioned by the Bp. of Peterborough to examine the state of the churches of Wicklive and Wickhammon, on the ruinous state of the latter, and the propriety of acceding to the petition of the rector and inhabitants for demolishing it, and confining the service to Wicklive. *Annexed are,*

23. I. *Petition of the Parson and Inhabitants of Wicklive and Wickhammon, co. Northampton, to Thos. Dove, Bp. of Peterborough, that the ruinous church of Wickhammon, where the inhabitants are very few, may be demolished, and its materials, valued at 50l., applied to repairs of that of Wicklive; and that divine service, which has hitherto alternated between the two places, may be confined to Wicklive. With note of approval of the petition, by Robt. Lord Spencer, patron of both the rectories. July* 20, 1619.

23. II. *Commission by the Bp. of Peterborough to certain clergy of his diocese, to examine into the condition of the churches of Wicklive; and Wickhammon, and to report on the propriety of acceding to the above petition. With a list of queries on which they are to report. Oct.* 11, 1619.

Nov. 15. Dover. 24. Wm. Jones to Nicholas. Rich. Whitmore has requested him to procure his brother's banishment; fears this course may be disliked. Hopes the Archbp. of Canterbury will remember him for his money.

Nov. 15. Grant to Cuthbert Alder, of Newton-on-the-Sea, Northumberland, of pardon for manslaughter seventeen years before, he being only present and not accessory. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 29.]

Nov. 16. Westminster. Lease to Endymion Porter of the rectory of Exminster, co. Devon, he having found out the King's right to the same, on condition of his repairing the premises, and paying 50*l.* a year to a curate. [*Ibid., No.* 30.]

Nov. 16. 25. Sir Clement Edmondes to Lord Zouch. Alex. Brett, stayed at Dover on return from France, where he had been to fight with Mr. Tucker, is to repair to the Council forthwith.

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Nov. 16. London. 26. Sir Hen. Wotton to Carleton. Sec. Naunton says he will not rest till the salaries of the Foreign Ambassadors are assigned to some certain portion of the revenue.

Nov. 17. 27. Sir Wm. Cockayne, Lord Mayor of London, Sir Thos. Smythe, and Sir Thos. Lowe, to the Council. The several trading companies are ready to pay their promised contribution towards suppressing pirates, except the Muscovy Company, who plead losses. The merchants hope, in fulfilment of the King's promise, to have the setting out of their own ships and disbursing of their own moneys, and that they may not be required to set out their vessels till those of the King are ready to strengthen them; they also request a warrant to hire merchant ships and mariners, and to collect such moneys on exports and imports as they agree on, to meet the charges.

Nov. 17? 28. Petition of Wm. Hackett, Fletcher, to the Same, for release and a hearing of his cause, being imprisoned in the Gatehouse by the malicious accusations of Sir Edm. Ludlow, whom he had prosecuted in the Court of Star Chamber for contempt.

Nov. 18. 29. Lord Chief Justice Montague and Justice Dodderidge to the Same. Think the petition of Sir Miles Sandys against certain gentlemen in the Isle of Ely unfounded, and springing from personal quarrels; have reconciled him with the gentlemen complained against. Certify, at request of Sir Thos. Steward, Sir Simeon Steward, and others, that they had not infused fears into the people, nor courted popularity, as they were accused. The bonfires and rejoicings were rather for an order to review Bathing Bank than for joy at the return of the Stewards.

Nov. 18. London. 30. Sir Thos. Edmondes to [Carleton]. Sir Thos. Smythe says the [East India] Company will not fail to acknowledge Carleton's services in the late treaty. After eleven days' hearing of the cause, the Earl of Suffolk and his Lady are fined 30,000*l.*, and sentenced to restore all money wrongfully extorted, and to be imprisoned apart in the Tower, during pleasure; Sir John Bingley fined 2,000*l.*, and imprisoned in the Fleet, &c.

Nov. 20. 31. [Committee of Council to the Council.] Find the charges of John Mere against Lord Digby, for violence, extortion, and improper language, unfounded; Mere's conduct towards his Lordship is insolent, and his letters and petitions against him scandalous and libellous.

Nov. 20. Whitehall. 32. The Masters of Requests to Lord Zouch. Their office does not permit them to cede to his request to dismiss the cause of Herdson v. Jenkins, which the King has referred to his Lordship, unless precedents can be found; the attorneys are seeking for them, but as yet have found none warranting the Chancery of the Cinque Ports to prevent subjects from seeking redress in the Court of Requests.

Nov. 20. 33. Copy of the above.

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Nov. 20. London. 34. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir John Bingley is sent to the Fleet, and Suffolk and his Lady to the Tower, where they say a Court may be held, as they have now a Lord Treasurer, Lord Chamberlain, Captain of the Pensioners, and Secretary. Lady Bedford has obtained an imposition of 2*d.* per chaldron on sea-coal, but must still sell her land, being 50,000*l.* in debt. The King has confirmed to Cotterell, a creature of Buckingham, the appointment of Groom-porter. Buckingham has resigned his Chief Justiceship in Eyre North of the Trent to the Earl of Rutland, and succeeds Nottingham in that South of the Trent. Death of Sam. Danyell the poet, Serjeant Chibborne the lawyer, and Sir Edm. Withipole. Twenty-two or twenty-three merchant strangers are brought into the Star Chamber, on the business of exporting gold.

Nov. 21. Westminster. 35. Abraham Williams to the Same. A gentleman has arrived from the King and Queen of Bohemia, to announce their arrival at Prague; their coronation is fixed for the 25th and 26th. Sentence in the Star Chamber against the Earl and Countess of Suffolk. Sir Walter Aston is to be sent Ambassador to Spain, where he has long been Lieger.

Nov. 21. Peak, Derbyshire. 36. Hen. Bell to the Council. Although the execution of his patent for surveying of lead is well received in the country, understands some intend to complain against it; prays that they may not be listened to till he can come up to answer their objections.

Nov. 22? 37. Petition of Peter Howgill and John Greene to the Same, for release from the Marshalsea, to which they were committed by Council.

Nov. 23. Doctors' Commons. 38. Sir Hen. Marten [Judge of the Admiralty Court] to Buckingham. A committee was appointed in the late Lord Admiral's time, to decide whether the right to some bars of silver, taken up from a wreck off the coast of Cornwall, belonged to the Lord Admiral or the Prince. Two out of three judges decided in favour of the Admiral; but the Prince's officers have claimed and taken 4,000*l.* worth, recovered since. The power of the Admiral is already diminished by grants of Admiralty rights to the sea-port towns; and if the west of England be cut off from his jurisdiction, it will be to his dishonour, and cause much greater decay in the Admiralty Court.

Nov. 23. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Armyne, son and heir to Sir Wm. Armyne, of Osgodby, co. Lincoln, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 31.]

[Nov. 24.] 39. Petition of Caleb Morley, Parson of Stalbridge, co. Dorset, to the Council. Complains of injustice done him in the Common Pleas, and at the assize at Dorchester, when seeking relief from the Earl of Castlehaven. Prays that the judgment given against him may be respited, until trial can be had in the King's Bench.

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Nov. 24? 40. Petition of Caleb Morley to Lord Zouch, to be put on his defence, and to have a warrant for bringing his witnesses together, and access to records to prove his petition.

Nov. 24. Lincoln. 41. Clergymen of Lincolnshire to Lord Chief Justice Hobart. Certify the good conduct of Avery Partridge, Parson of North Scarle. Believe Geo. Thomson's accusations to proceed from malice, because he was sued for his tithes.

Nov. 25. North Scarle. 42. Inhabitants of North Scarle to the Council. Geo. Thomson has always been a litigious and troublesome fellow; his wife quarrelled with the wife of Mr. Partridge, and he tried to thrust her out of her seat in the church during service, for which, being accused in Court, he entered accusations against Mr. Partridge. Think them very improbable, as he always taught his parishioners their duty to the King, &c.

Nov. 25. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Armyne of discharge for 1,095*l.*, paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 33.]

Nov. 26. Westminster. Grant to Sir Wm. Bamburgh, of Howsomin, co. York, of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 34.]

Nov. 26. 43. Lease from Sir Wm. Seymour, Lord Beauchamp, to Fras. Wayneman, of Elvetham, co. Hants, of a messuage and lands in Monkskirby, co. Warwick, formerly held by And. King, now deceased.

Nov. 26. Eagle. 44. Testimony of John Barefoot, of Eagle, co. Lincoln. Was requested by Geo. Thomson to mediate between him and Avery Partridge, he offering to pay his tithes, and make private submission for his misbehaviour in church. He owned Partridge to be a loving and just man.

Nov. 26. 45. Testimony of Gabriel Arderne, of Carleton-in-Moreland, co. Lincoln. Geo. Thomson told him that Partridge might make him spend 100*l.*, but he would be revenged on him, if it cost him his life. He also showed him citations against Partridge and his wife.

Nov. 26? 46. Testimony of Wm. Shell, that he heard Geo. Thomson say, laughing, that he had Mr. Partridge now sure enough, but that if he had been quiet, this should not have happened.

Nov. 27. Lincoln Castle. 47. Dan. Harby and Thos. Disney to Sir Robt. Naunton and Sir Geo. Calvert. Send up Avery Partridge from Lincoln Gaol to appear before the Council, and have bound over Geo. Thomson and Robt. Naylor to appear against him.

Nov. 27. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Hartopp, of Freathby, co. Leicester, of discharge of 1,100*l.* paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 35.]

Nov. 27. Newmarket. 48. The King to Carleton. Sir John Kidderminster is in danger of being turned out of his living by the Archbp. of Spalato's promise to Carleton. Will not use authority in the case; but shall

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think it strange if Carleton insists on the promise, and will remember it for good, if he allow Kidderminster's lease to be renewed.

Nov. 28. 49. Acquittance of Jeremy Alley, Gentleman Porter of Dover Castle, for 12*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, his year's pay.

Nov. 29. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Hartopp, of Freathby, co. Leicester, of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 36.]

Nov. 29. Westminster. Grant to John Robinson of the benefit of two recognizances of 500*l.* each, forfeited by Sir Thos. Metcalfe, of Nappa, co. York, and his sureties, for his non-appearance in the Star Chamber. [*Ibid., No.* 37.]

Nov. 29. Westminster. Grant to John Gray, on nomination of his sisters, Grisol and Annabell, of 300*l.*, forfeited upon the statute of usury by Peter Bownd, of Tor-Newton, parish Tor-brian, co. Devon. [*Ibid., No.* 38.]

Nov. 29. Westminster. Grant to Elizabeth, widow of John Harris, of Trewran, co. Pembroke, of 100*l.* and 50*l.*, fines of her late husband, for non-appearance in the High Commission Court, and before the Justices of Wales, and also of the benefit of her husband's outlawry, she being left in distressed estate. [*Ibid., No.* 39.]

Nov. 30. Westminster. Grant to Sir Hen. Savile, Sir Robt. Killigrew, Sir Wm. Burlacy, Sir Hen Neville, Sir Fras. Moore, and Humfry Newbury, of Ashridge, and other lands, assarts and purprestures in Windsor Forest, for which they have compounded with the Commissioners for Assart Lands, and of pardon for past trespasses therein. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 40.]

Nov. 30. 50. Certificate by the Masters and Seniors of Trinity College, Cambridge, of the good conduct, &c., of Avery Partridge, M.A., during the ten years of his abode there.

Nov. 51. Sir Edw. Villiers, Master, and the Officers of the Mint, to [the Council]. Think the best means of answering the petition against light gold, is to call in and recoin all that shall want more than six grains in the 22*s.* piece, and to order allowance to be made for any pieces wanting more than three grains.

Nov. 52. Statement of a case on which Lord Zouch desires the opinions of the Judges, as to whether churchwardens and overseers have a power to levy a tax for the poor in gross on the lands and goods of the inhabitants; with request that if the Judges think it unlawful, the counsel of the town of Lydd may be heard, before his Lordship decides the case.

[Nov.] 53. Petition of Wm. Hackett, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the Council. Has been committed on a malicious charge against him by Sir Edm. Ludlow, whom he had prosecuted for contempt against the Court of Exchequer. Prays to be released on bond, till Sir Edmund appears against him.

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1619. [Nov.] 54. Sir Thos. Wilson to the King. Some defects being pointed out in the copy of a chronological table, written by His Majesty, which he desires to have printed, as an appendix, in the new edition of his works, asks permission to correct it by the best chronologers. Begs a final decision on what is to be done about Sir Walter Raleigh's books.

[Nov.] 55. Draft of the above.

Dec. 1. 56. Petition of Margery Lady Gratwick and Edw. Gratwick to Lord Zouch, for examination of the over proportions of rates laid on them, and others of Seaford, by Elfick, the bailiff, who wishes to save himself at their expense.

Dec. 2. Dover. 57. Wm. Ward to the Same. The Ramsgate men saved a ship stranded on the Godwin Sands, and had 90*l.* for their trouble. Capt. Turner has gone along the coast, bidding the people retain all things saved for the Lord Admiral; wishes to commit him to the Castle. Begs instructions about some horses belonging to a gentleman of the French Ambassador, stayed at Dover by the agent of the Farmers [of Customs]. *Incloses,*

57. 1. *Thos. Fulnetby to the Same. Two ships of Horne, in Holland, were cast away upon the Godwin Sands, one of which was saved by the Ramsgate boatmen, and the best anchor and cable claimed for the Lord Warden, when the Lord Admiral sent Capt. Turner to seize all wrecks upon the Sands. Recommends that Capt. Turner be confined in Dover Castle, for meddling in his Lordship's jurisdiction.*

Dec. 2. Plymouth. 58. Mayor of Plymouth to the Council. Thinks it impossible to raise the 1,000*l.*, required towards the contribution against pirates, there being only twenty-four Merchant Adventurers resident, &c.; begs relief from great part of the burthen, and authority to levy part of it on the inhabitants generally.

Dec. 3. Dover. 59. Nich. Knott to Nicholas. Begs discharge of Lopdale, who is too poor either to pay the fine set on him by the Farmers [of Customs] or his charges. Sir Thos. Pelham orders his man Bourne not to sue for enlargement.

Dec. ? 60. Petition of Geo. Lopdale, prisoner in Dover Castle, to Lord Zouch. His punishment is just, because he helped to convey the wool away privately, knowing it was without licence; will pay any fine that he is able, and begs release.

Dec. 3. Dover. 61. Lord [Zouch] to the Lord Admiral. Thinks the warrant alleged by Capt. Turner, for claiming all wrecks in the jurisdiction of the Cinque Ports, cannot have been given by his Lordship. Begs that he will stay such courses till he hears what can be said on the other side.

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Dec. 3. Whitehall. Sir Robt. Naunton to Carleton. The Earl and Countess of Suffolk were fined 30,000*l.*, and sent to the Tower, where they stayed ten days, after which the King was pleased to enlarge them. [*Holl. Corresp., Dec.* 3, 1619.]

Dec. 4. London. 62. Chamberlain to the Same. The case of the Merchant Strangers is yet uncertain. The chief charge now is the transmuting silver to gold, but the wants are so great that something must be done with them. Courteen and Burlamachi, &c., who were fined this term, are already called on for the money. Harman, of Leicestershire, worth 30,000*l.*, is arraigned for petty larcenies, at suit of Sir Edw. Villiers, Sir Thos. Beaumont, and Sir Lewis Tresham, who are to have his spoils. The Earl of Suffolk and his Lady released from the Tower, and one third or half of their fine remitted. Sir Thos. Lake's personal submission would be dispensed with, but the Countess of Exeter will not give her consent. The little ambitious man who wishes to be Carleton's successor uses unworthy means to push himself forward.

Dec. 6. 63. Memorandum that Jas. Baldridge, of Westminster, Cooper, on receipt of 5*l.* from the Council, for a hurt received at the burning of the Banquetting House, promises to trouble them no further.

Dec. 7. Grant to Sir John Wolstenholme and others, of all customs on wine, for eight years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 279.]

Dec. 7. Deal Castle. 64. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Another shipwreck on the Godwin Sands. The inferior gentry presume much more in seizing goods, since the publication of the Admiral's warrant; asks directions thereon.

Dec. 7. Newmarket. 65. Lord Admiral Buckingham to the Same. Considers that he has a right, as Lord Admiral, to all wrecks floating on the Narrow Seas, and therefore ordered seizure of those on the Godwin Sands; wishes all justice and amity to be observed, and only desires that the respective rights of the Admiralty and the Cinque Ports should be soon ascertained.

Dec. 8. 66. List of eighteen Merchant Strangers, sentenced in the Star Chamber for exporting gold, and the amounts of their respective fines, total 140,000*l.*; with the names of five who were acquitted.

Dec. 8? 67. Similar list, with many additional names of parties not fined.

Dec. 9. Newmarket. Proclamation prohibiting innholders, cooks, chandlers, alehouse-keepers, and victuallers, from drawing off their beer into wine-casks, or other large vessels, by which the beer is made heady, and the casks become scarce for the use of the Navy. None such are to be used without special licence of Commissioners appointed for the purpose. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 73.]

Dec. 9. Fulham. 68. Giov. Florio to Fras. Windebank. Begs him to accept the fruit of his barren genius, if not as wine, yet as the juice of sour grapes; sends him two pieces of rubbish, of which he is the author, and which that blessed royal soul now in glory [Prince Henry] often looked into. Begs him to add the salt of his benignity to the mass

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of flour and water which is prepared, to bring it into bread. Is prevented waiting on him by bitter cold, dirty streets, and importunate old age. Indorsed, "Giovanni Florio, about his pension." Italian.

Dec. 9. 69. Petition of the Merchants of York, Newcastle, and Kingston-upon-Hull, to the Council, for a remission of the pretermitted customs of 3*s.* per cloth, lately charged by the Collectors of Customs, their wool not being staple wool, nor their coarse northern kerseys to be treated as cloths. With reference to the Attorney General.

Dec. 9? 70. Answer of Edm. Nicholson, Farmer of the Pretermitted Customs, to the above petition, showing that the Yorkshire wools should be considered staple, and that fine as well as coarse cloths are made there.

Dec. 9? 71. Statements in support of the preceding petition, and in answer to the arguments of the Farmer of Pretermitted Customs.

Dec. 10. 72. Sir Hen. Yelverton, Attorney General, to [the Council]. Thinks the merchants of York, Newcastle, &c. are liable to the pretermitted customs, but that some remission should be allowed on cloths made entirely of the coarse northern wool.

Dec. 10. Prince's Council Chamber, Fleet Street. 73. Confirmation of a demise to Sir Rich. Etherington, of 300 acres, equal to 600 statute acres, of land in Easingwold, Yorkshire, which the tenants of the manor unjustly claim as common ground, but which belong to Galtres; also of an order of Buckingham, Lord Chief Justice in Eyre, for inclosure of the same, reserving the pasture in winter for the King's deer. With request that Etherington will stay his suit against the tenants of the manor, unless they disturb him further; and demise to the said tenants of 205 acres of land adjoining, with right of enclosure, on similar conditions of reservation for the deer. [*See Jan.* 22, 1619.]

Dec. 11. Warrant for discharge to the Master of the Horse of 400*l.* by him received for provision of horses for the King, for payment of 20*l.* since disbursed by him, and for advance of 400*l.* more. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 11. Grant to Sir Robt. Ayton of annuity of 500*l.*, for thirty-one years, out of profits reserved to the King on a grant to Hen. Bell for surveying lead. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 11. Letter to the University and town of Cambridge, to take order that Hen. King and Nath. Cradock have allowance for sums of money expended by them in conveying sweet running water to the town. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 11. Grant to Dr. Jas. Chambers of denization. [*Docquet.*]

Dec.? 74. Petition of Dr. Chambers, physician, to the King, to pass his grant of the receivership of fines on penal statutes, stayed by a similar grant, but with larger profits, to Beddo, a notorious informer.

Dec. 11. Grant to Robt. Beddo of the office of keeping an entry book of all fines, verdicts, licences, compositions, &c. on penal laws in the

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Exchequer, with a moiety of the moneys accruing therefrom, under certain limitations; marked in the margin "stayd." [*Docquet. Dec.* 11, *and Dec. undated.*]

[Dec 11.] Grant to Dr. Chambers, one of the King's physicians, and John Brooke, of the office of Receivers of Fines and Compositions on informations upon penal laws, with a fourth of the fines. [*Docquet. Dec., undated.*]

Dec. 12. London. 75. Sir Jo. Killigrew to Carleton. The light and tower upon the Lizard Point are completed. Hopes Carleton will succeed in his behalf with the States, as the light will cost 10*s.* a night.

Dec. 12? 76. Petition of Wm. Hackett, fletcher, to the Council. Is in prison by the malice of Sir Edm. Ludlow, who has preferred a bill in the Star Chamber against him, and persuades his neighbours that he has committed some heinous crime. Prays a hearing, or release on bail.

Dec. 12. Appointment of Wm. Essington as Surveyor of the Alum Works, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 273.]

Dec. 13. Grant to Alex. Foster and others, of the office of Clerk of the Bills for goods exported or imported, for thirty-one years. [*Ibid., p.* 275.]

[Dec.] 77. Petition of Geo. Lopdale to Lord Zouch, for release. Has compounded with Mr. Hurt and the informer for 25*l.*, to be paid in five years.

Dec. 13. Dover Castle. 78. Rich. Marsh to Nicholas. Has paid the Castle garrison. Desires favour for Lopdale the prisoner; his informers consent to receive 25*l.* from him in five years. Begs his release, as imprisonment has almost driven him mad. *Incloses,*

78. 1. *Acquittances by the Gunners and Boder of Dover Castle, for their yearly pay received from Lord Zouch. Dec.* 7.

Dec. 15. 79. Memorandum of receipts [by the four Tellers of the Exchequer] from different heads of the revenue since Nov. 27.

Dec. 15. State Paper Office. 80. Sir T. Wilson to the Master of the Rolls. Sir Oliver Cromwell's old acquittance is in the Rolls, with his wife's release annexed. The King was greatly deceived in the chantry lands which he granted to discharge that debt, for he passed lands worth 5,000*l.* or 6,000*l.* a year at the old rents, which are now worth twenty times as much; also Sir Horatio Palivicino's wife ceased to be executor on her re-marriage, and therefore the whole affair was a cozenage; if the parties are called in question, it will bring the King more money than is expected from Flanders. [*See Dom. Corresp., Nos.* 54, 55, *July*, 1606.]

[Dec. 15.] 81. The Same to the Same. Is extremely hurt at being called, in presence of servants, an intruder, and officious, for meddling in this business; undertook it at his suggestion, and first acquainted him with what he had found out.

Dec. 17. Barnstaple. 82. Mayor of Barnstaple to the Council. The merchants have freely raised and paid in the 250*l.* levied for the first year's expedition against pirates. Begs that as they have raised it without

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levy on exports and imports, they may be spared payment of the taxes which are levied upon their goods at Exeter, Plymouth, and elsewhere.

Dec. 17. Grant to Sir Wm. Garway and others, of the customs on velvet and silk, for two years and a half. [*Grant Bk., p.* 275.]

Dec. 20. Lydd. 83. Thos. Godfrey to Nicholas. Requests that Lord Zouch will stay proceedings against the Bailiff of Lydd, for taxes laid on an unequal principle, until the Judges, to whom the case is submitted, have given their opinion.

Dec. [21 ?] Exeter. 84. Mayor of Exeter to the Council. Has sent up 500*l.*, raised by the town for the suppression of pirates. Begs a return of the letter of deputation for taking back the 500*l.* when formerly paid.

Dec. 21. Sewers' Sessions, Peterborough. 85. Commissioners of Sewers to the Same. Have called up the chief inhabitants who have interest in the common fens, that they may make terms with the undertakers for draining them; but they will only offer a fortieth part of the lands, and the undertakers demand half. The commoners cry out not to have their commons taken away. Have suspended proceedings till they hear how the undertakers' agreements go on in other parts.

Dec. 21. 86. Examinations of Hen. Stephenson and John Reynolds, both of Sandwich. Saw fifteen packs of wool or baize privately carried at night to the sea-side, on Feb. 23, 1617, exported by Peter Mace, Jasper Brames, and others, Dutchmen. Told John Clark, of Deal, an officer, about it, but Mace had bribed him to keep it secret.

Dec. 22. Chester. 87. Mayor of Chester to the Council. Of the 50*l.* per year for two years, to be raised against pirates, 30*l.* was levied on Chester, which is raised, and 20*l.* on Liverpool, Beaumaris, and Carnarvon; but they will neither pay nor enter bond to appear before Council for non-payment, as required. Asks how Walter Sheppard, the supposed Seminary Priest, who took the Oath of Allegiance, but lingers still in prison, is to be disposed of.

Dec. 22. 88. Inventory by Sir Wm. Twysden, Bart., of iron ordnance provided for strangers, and also of other iron ordnance now lying on the wharfs of Robt. Palmer, and of Mr. Browne, at Millhall, in Kent.

Dec. 23. 89. Sir Hen. Yelverton and Sir Thos. Coventry [to the Council]. Have examined Mr. Edwards, prisoner in the Marshalsea, but he confesses nothing. The matter of the letter is not punishable "ore tenus." Advise an information against him, by which he may be pressed on his oath, and others called as witnesses against him. *Annexed are,*

89. I. *Note by Sir Clement Edmondes, Clerk of the Council, that their Lordships approve this advice, and that an information is to be filed accordingly. Dec.* 29.

89. II. *Examination of John Edwards. The letter shown him was written by him to Sir Thos. Chamberlain and Sir Hen. Townshend, Justices of the Sessions for Denbigh-*

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shire. No one knew of it but himself. Heard from common report of the punishment of the Sheriff of the north for breaking recusants' houses. Does not remember who told him of the misdoings of the Sheriff and Under-Sheriff of Denbighshire, but can easily prove them. Dec. 15.

89. III. *John Edwards to Sir Thos. Chamberlain and Sir Hen. Townshend. The Under-Sheriff threatens to break into his house, and has issued orders to arrest him, under pretence of a warrant from their worships. Is an acknowledged recusant, but has the King's pardon. Never heard of such proceedings against those who are paying two thirds of their income for recusancy. A Sheriff in the north, on His Majesty's journey to Scotland, was punished for imprisoning recusants and breaking into their houses. Has been with several of the Council, and also with their worships, on business, and was left undisturbed, therefore thinks the warrant was not from them, and appeals to them before petitioning His Majesty. Chester, Aug.* 25.

Dec. 23. 90. Sir Hen. Yelverton and Sir Thos. Coventry [to the Council]. Have perused the papers relating to Mr. Mere's insolence to Lord Digby, but as the proofs arise from testimony, and not from his own confession, he must be proceeded against on information, not "ore tenus."

Dec. 23 91. Statement by Edw. Grymes [prisoner in the Gatehouse], that John Harding, priest, prisoner there, feigns himself a Protestant only to obtain his liberty and money to get back to Spain; that he sells for drink the books brought him to confirm his faith; rails against the King and Archbp. of Canterbury, and Protestants generally, as heretics, and of no religion; that he tried to make him [Grymes] a Papist, and threatened to kill him if he confessed anything against him.

Dec. 23? 92. Examination of John Harding on the above statements. Denies or explains them. Thinks Grymes was induced to make them by Florence McCarty, and Morton, a Scotchman, who, being Papists, hate him for changing his religion. McCarty advised him to go back to Spain. Wilcox said he was cured of sickness by a pilgrimage to Spain. Grymes threatened Wilcox with violence, if he would not testify against him [Harding]. Nich. Bestney is Grymes cousin.

Dec. 23? 93. Statement by Edw. Grymes, that the witnesses of these several speeches of John Harding were Thos. Wilcox, merchant of Wood Street, Nich. Bestney, near Cripplegate, and Rich. Sparrow, of Malmsbury, Wiltshire.

Dec. 23. 94. Examination of the Same. Imperfect.

Dec. 24? 95. Note, by the Same, that his first reason for suspecting Harding was, that when told he could not see the King without

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longer probation, the late King of France being murdered by a friar, he said the King of France was of no religion, and was suspected to be turning Protestant and heretic.

Dec. 24. 96. Deposition of Nich. Bestney. Harding told him he would go back to Spain as soon as he could; that he was sent over to preach privately, and that he went every other day to the Spanish Ambassador's.

Dec. 24. 97. Account of receipts and payments made on behalf of Sir Edw. Conway, since Michaelmas.

Dec. 24? 98. Account of payments for groceries and household furniture, &c. [on behalf of the Same].

Dec. 25. 99. Deposition of Thos. Wilcox. Heard Harding say he was only a Protestant till he could gain his liberty; he spoke ill of the Council, the Archbishop, Protestant ministers, &c.

Dec. 27. Examination of [Patrick] Morton. Never confederated with Grymes against Harding the friar. Only told Mr. Wyke [the Keeper] that Grymes had something to say about the friar, which he [Morton] refused to hear. In a quarrel, called Harding renegade, but meant it for his leaving his country, not for his change of religion. [*Dom. Corresp., Dec.* 23.]

Dec. 27. Dover. 100. Wm. Ward to Nicholas. The 100*l.* charged on the Cinque Ports for the suppression of pirates can be paid any time, but they request as much delay as possible, since it is rumoured that some ships appointed for the service are discharged, and that the project will not go on.

Dec. 27. Dover. 101. John Winter to the Same. Requests Lord Zouch's warrant to arrest Mr. Knott, Marshal of Dover Castle, for a debt; his Lordship's letter to him urging payment having failed.

Dec. 28. Faversham. 102. John Philpot to the Same. To urge Sir Edw. Zouch to forward his suit for the customs of oysters. He has neglected it so long that other competitors are in danger of getting it.

Dec. 28. 103. Deposition of Jas. Carey. Pretended conversion of Harding the friar, who says he will escape or hang himself if he cannot get free; he abused the King, Sec. Naunton, the Archbishop, &c., and assaulted Grymes for deposing against him. He pretends that Newton is his enemy, in order to prevent Newton's being called in question.

Dec. 29. 104. Examination of Florence McCarty. Never plotted with Grymes against Harding, nor persuaded Harding to return to Spain. Heard that Newton persuaded Harding to lay the plot on him and Mr. Carey.

Dec. 29. 105. Examination of Patrick Morton, to the same effect as that of Dec. 27.

Dec. 29. 106. Examination of Thos. Newton. Took Harding with him to Padre Maestro, the Spanish Agent, who asked him the cause of his change of religion. He said it was through reading the Archbp. of

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Spalato's book. Never persuaded him to accuse McCarty and Morton of a plot. Denies intimacy with the friar, though their correspondence was proved.

Dec. 29. 107. Draft of the above examination. Imperfect.

Dec. 29. 108. Thos. Fulnetby to Nicholas. Surprise at receiving no answer respecting some seizures made for his Lordship; the currants have been fetched away by order of the Lord Chief Baron, and more will be lost if order be not given.

Dec. ? 109. Certificate by the College of Physicians, that tobacco grown in England and Ireland is much more unwholesome than that imported from countries where it grows naturally.

Dec. 30. Westminster. Proclamation forbidding the planting of tobacco in England and Wales, as being more unwholesome than that imported, and as causing the use of it to spread into the country parts of the kingdom. Printed [*Proc. Coll., No.* 74.]

Dec. 30. Warrant to Sir Miles Fleetwood, Receiver General of the Court of Wards, to pay 2,000*l.* to the King's own hands for supply of present occasions, and to defalcate 50*l.* for portage money thereof, the same to be allowed on his account. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 30. Licence to Spencer Lord Compton to travel for three years. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 30. Warrant dormant to pay 16*d.* per diem to John Holleman, and 8*d.* per diem to Rich. Stock, the King's Trumpeters. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 30. Warrant for delivery of stuff to Rich. Stock for his livery. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 30. Warrant for the Wardens of the Mint to make reasonable allowance to John Holle, Engraver of the Mint, for patterns made by him of the King's gold moneys, &c., and for the labours of other gravers and workmen employed by him. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 30. Edinburgh. 110. Jas. Raith to Robt. Abercromby. Pat. Galloway preached excellently at St. Giles's Church on the 25th [Christmas Day], commemorating the day, and urging observance of the other regulations recently made by the Assembly, and confirmed by the King. The Earl of Crawford is to be confined more closely in Edinburgh Castle, His Majesty being jealous of the Earl of Argyle's correspondence with him; he has nothing to live on but 30*s.* Scots per day, allowed him by the King, and no company but a few bankrupt burgesses. It is thought that Father Campbell, taken at Berwick and sent to the Tower, has reported Argyle's disloyalty. Receipt and transmission of letters. Sends a packet to Bernard Lindsay from his wife.

Dec. 30. 111. Power of attorney from Sir Edw. Conway, of Ragley, co. Warwick, and Katherine, his wife, executrix of Kath. Henriblock, of London, to Guillaume Van der Moyden, of Zealand, and Katherine, his wife, granddaughter of Kath. Henriblock, authorizing them to receive and dispose of, or to recover, if needful, the bequest of 500*l.*, &c., left to them by Kath. Henriblock.

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Dec. 31. 112–15. Four quarterly books of accounts of the Office of Ordnance for the year 1619.

Dec. ? 116. John Finch to the Council. Prays directions to the Mayor &c. of Canterbury, to elect him anew as Recorder, factious spirits there having set aside the previous order for his re-election.

Dec. ? 117. Request on behalf of Sir Pierce Crosby, for the revocation of a protection granted to Robt. Pawlet, on a false pretence that the ship Dove, surprised by Capt. Tkint, of Rotterdam, was his; it was afterwards claimed by Crosby, and, arbitrators being appointed, Pawlet was ordered to give Crosby one third of the damages recovered from the Hollanders, but, under shelter of his protection he refuses to do it.

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118. Ann Barnard to Carleton. Begs him to hold her brother John Clarke fast to his intentions, and not allow him to be moved by her brother Humphrey, who is going to the Hague.

119. The Earl of Essex, Lord Lieutenant of Staffordshire, to [the Council]. Certifies that Robt. Peashall is charged with providing a horse and lance in Staffordshire, and is therefore exempt from a similar charge made on him for Leicestershire.

120. Statement on behalf of Robt. Peashall, of Blorepipe co. Stafford, of reasons why he should not have a light horse charged on him, for the manor of Colne Newton, co. Leicester.

121. Petition of Bessy Walling, servant to the late Prince Henry, to the King, for grant of a lease of the manors of Shoston and Sunderland, co. Northumberland, concealed lands, in compensation for her past services, her former petition for enrolment of apprentices in Westminster having failed.

Warrant for a lease to Thos. Earl of Kelly, in trust for Eliz. Walling, of the manors of Shoston and Sunderland, co. Northumberland, supposed concealed lands of the Crown to be discovered by her, and for issue of all needful commissions to aid her in the discovery. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 41.]

Warrant for payment to Robt. Bell, out of imposts on the goods of the East India Company, of 909*l.* 1*s.* 0½*d.*, by him advanced for the Prince's household, in 1615 and 1616. [*Ibid., No.* 48.]

Friday. Faversham. 122. John Philpott to Nicholas. To excuse his not attending the Lord Warden to London; has settled the cause between Sir Thos. Wynn and Mr. Trowt.

123. [Sir Thos. Wilson] to the King. Transmits letters received from his correspondent in Japan, although His Majesty said that the last letters, giving an extravagant description of the riches, &c. of the Japanese Empire, "were the loudest lyes he had ever heard."

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124. [Sir Thos. Wilson] to Buckingham. Solicits the reversion of a lease of some land, and a house, called the Bauss, his Lordship's property, for himself or his brother.

125. Petition of Wm. Cawton to Sec. Calvert. Being prosecuted by Antony Appleby, whose daughter he privately married nine years before, has lost his property, and is reduced to teaching little children. Begs that certain persons may be appointed to compound for him with his creditors, and to reconcile him to his father-in-law.

126. Sir Thos. Smythe and others to the King. Certificate of the causes of decay of the Eastern trade, and of its engrossment by the Netherlanders; suggest a proclamation forbidding the importation of Eastern merchandise in any but British ships, similar to that already granted to the Levant Company.

127. Petition of the East India Company to the Same, stating the excessive injury done to their trade by the embargo and cruelty of the Hollanders, and the disastrous effects on the trade and revenues of the kingdom; pray for his interference to effect a restitution for the wrongs sustained from the Hollanders. Signed by Sir Wm. Cockayne, and by an immense number of the Company.

128. Petition of the Mercers' Company of Faversham to Lord Zouch, for confirmation of their society, established five years before, but endangered by the factious conduct of Edw. Hales and Thos. Napleton, Jurats, who encourage transgressors against it.

129. Patent by Lord Zouch, confirming the incorporation of the Society of Mercers at Faversham, and inflicting penalties on certain persons, who, by instigation of Hales and Napleton, refuse to pay fines imposed for breach of the Society's rules; such fines to be enforced hereafter by the Chancery Court at Dover.

130. Petition of Sir Rich. Fleetwood to the King. Has twice consented to the King's nomination of his own chaplains to the parsonage of Wigan, of which he and his ancestors are patrons, although he has obtained His Majesty's confirmation of the right of advowson. Understands it will be questioned, unless the King make him a grant of the next presentation, which he requests accordingly.

131. Grant to John Latch, of the Strand, of the next presentation to the rectory of Wigan, co. Lancaster. Latin.

132. Petition of John Forster, Messenger of the Chamber, to the Council, for remuneration for five months' troublesome service, in the suit between the Crown and the Earl of Suffolk.

133. Petition of Capt. Thos. Jackson, Muster-master of Northumberland, to the Lords Commissioners for the Treasury, for warrant to receive his annuity from the Receiver of Yorkshire, instead of from the Exchequer.

134. Petition of Margaret, widow of Thos. Measome, to Sec. Calvert, that a grant made to her late husband of the under-valuation of the

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woods of the manor of Bulmer, co. York, may not pass the Signet, until —— Gibson, in whose favour it is now made, has paid her 50*l.* which was promised for it.

135. Petition of And. Murray to Sec. Calvert. Being a sworn servant of the King, and having bought his place at a dear rate, prays that he may be employed as occasion shall offer, and not passed over as hitherto he has been.

136. Petition of Barbara Ruthven to the King, for relief in her extreme necessity, by some small sum towards the payment of her debts, and preferment in marriage, on grant of which she will return to Scotland. Intreats payment of five years' advance of her pension.

137. Petition of York and Somerset Heralds to the Lords Commissioners for the office of Earl Marshal, to peruse the articles annexed, showing the wrongful accusations made against them by Garter and Norroy Kings-at-Arms, to veil their own misconduct. *Inclose,*

137. I. *Articles of abuses committed by the Kings and Officers at Arms, viz., imperfect keeping and embezzling of the records of the office; committing the visitations to ignorant Pursuivants; concealing the office fees; threatening the inferior officers, &c.*

138. Statement of the condition of sundry lands and tenements in Kirton-in-Lindsay, co. Lincoln, belonging to the Duchy of Cornwall, as to the nature of tenure, rents, customs, and fees, as found by John Norden, at a survey made in 1616.

139. Paper found in the Exchange, and signed Wi. Grey, detailing the traitorous actions and speeches of —— Grey, in railing at the King, and pulling down his arms and those of the nobility in Ireland; that he has been several times imprisoned, but set free again, and urging that he be brought to justice. [*See May* 23, 1619.]

140. Statement of the great defects and worthlessness of certain arms which came from Hamburg.

141. Notes [by Nicholas] of the moneys to be received for the Gunners of Dover Castle, of deductions therefrom given to the Receiver of Kent and his officers, and of certain salaries given by Lord [Zouch] yearly to his officers.

142. Notes concerning the King's revenue, showing that his income now exceeds his ordinary expenditure by 47,000*l.*, but that his debts are 800,000*l.*; that he has anticipated his income 117,000*l.*, and pays yearly for interest 20,000*l.* Reasons for hoping a continual improvement in his finances.

143. Note of lands granted to Prince Henry and his heirs, and, on his death, to divers others.

144. Statement that the want of good government in the Duchy of Lancaster's lands, in the Strand and Westminster, is owing to their being in different parishes and under different governments.

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145. List of books, &c., sent to the Almoner of the French Ambassador, intercepted at Dover, and now in Sec. Calvert's hands.

146. Certificate by Sir Wm. Cockayne, Mayor of London, and others, to the King, that certain prisoners in Newgate, whose names and offences are given, are not committed for murder, and are reprieved, as being able bodied, and fit to do service in foreign parts.

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Jan. 1. L[ondon].

1. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King came to town on Christmas Eve. Lord Walden and Sir Thos. Howard, sons of the Earl of Suffolk, are dismissed from their places, their parents being liberated from the Tower on condition of their resignation. The Venetian Ambassador has had an audience. Lady Hatton gives a feast to many of the Court every Thursday. Buckingham is so oppressed with business that he hands over suitors to his brother, Visct. Purbeck. Some of the merchant strangers are hardly able to pay their fines; many forswear the facts, and Van Lore says he shall leave England, for those who on such evidence take away his goods, may take away his life if they choose. The whole affair will be injurious to trade and to the English abroad. The Farmers of the Customs complain already. Sir John Wolstenholme is committed for grumbling against a new patent office in the Custom House.

Jan. 1. Lyme Regis.

2. Mayor of Lyme Regis to the Council. The whole sum of 225*l.* laid upon Lyme towards the suppression of pirates, is not collected, but will be borrowed on interest, and paid in by weekly instalments.

Jan. 3. Dover Castle.

3. Rich. Marsh to Nicholas. Sends the petition of Geo. Lopdale, prisoner. A matter is discovered implicating Jasper Brames, who was lately made free of Sandwich, and Peter Mace. Has entered process against them in the Admiralty Court.

Jan. 3. Lydd.

4. Thos. Godfrey to the Same. Begs that the Bailiff may be ordered to stay the suit for assessment of poor rates for the town of Lydd, until the Judges' opinion be returned.

Jan. 3. Dover.

5. Wm. Ward, Mayor of Dover, to the Same. Mr. Brames, who was ordered by Lord Zouch to keep his house, solicits permission to go to a friend's house, to be cured of his ague by two old women.

Jan. 3. Dover.

6. The Same to the Same. The 100*l.* [contribution against pirates] shall be paid to him, but the ports renew their request that their money may not be the first called for. The tally to be struck in the Exchequer for receipt, &c. should be as from the Cinque Ports generally, the merchants and shipowners being too few, from decay of trade, to pay the contribution.

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7. Geo. Carleton to Sir Dud. Carleton. Hopes his son Dudley will continue to improve. Private affairs.

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Jan. 7. Plymouth. 8. Mayor of Plymouth to the Council. Will endeavour to collect the money required for suppressing pirates, &c. Begs authority to assess the merchants and shipowners in Fowey, and other members of the port, towards it.

[Jan. 8.] 9. Petition of John Edwards, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Same. Is sorry for having offended Sir Thos. Chamberlain and Sir Hen. Townshend by contrasting in his letter the leniency of the King and Council towards himself, a recusant, with their severity; begs release, being old and infirm, and having a lawsuit pending which much concerns his posterity.

Jan. 8. Essex House. 10. Sir Fras. Nethersole to [Carleton]. Lord [Doncaster] is entertaining a company, at which the King will be present, and the two Marquises and others will dance a running ballet. Everybody speaks despairingly of His Majesty's intention to declare war, though he openly declares his slight opinion of the King of Spain's sincerity in the marriage treaty. The Spanish agent complains that Lord [Doncaster], instead of mediating peace, assisted in making the Prince Palatine King of Bohemia.. This made some impression on the King, though he professes not to believe in the truth of Conte d'Ogniate, the relator, but Doncaster demanded to be confronted with him, and proved his innocence. His Majesty rebuked Bp. Baily for praying for the King of Bohemia, and yet he does not like Baron Dona to meet the Spanish Ambassador, lest he should call the King of Bohemia only Prince Palatine.

Jan. 10. London. 11. Sir John Killigrew to [the Same]. Has spent 500*l.* on the [Lizard] lighthouse, and had many certificates of its value, but no returns; will be a great loser, unless [the States] who are much benefited thereby, will contribute towards it. Despairs of obtaining an imposition like that granted for Dungeness.

Jan. 11. Canterbury Castle. 12. Justices of Kent to the Council. Send a petition about corn. Tillage, being the general wealth of the county, should be encouraged. *Inclose,*

12. I. *Petition of the Farmers of East Kent to the Justices of the County. The sea-port merchants refuse to purchase their surplus corn, as before, for transport to other parts of England, because they are harassed by informers; so that, though willing to sell their corn at from* 16*s. to* 20*s. a quarter, they have no vent for it but at the London market, which is very uncertain, &c. Request them to procure redress from the Council.*

Jan. 12. 13. Opinion of the Merchants appointed to consider a remedy for disorder in the trade with Spain, that the only plan is renewal of the former charter, which will exclude from the trade all jobbers who are not merchants only, and diminish danger from pirates. The inconveniences on which Parliament annulled the charter prove by experience far less than those endured since.

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Jan. 13. Sarum. 14. Justices of Peace of Wiltshire to the Council. Many informers fled on hearing that orders were issued for their apprehension; have taken three of them, Robt. Tredgold, John Tyladams, and Edw. Morgan, tried them, and sentenced them to pillory and imprisonment. Others are only agents of more notable informers of London, who extort much money by forging processes, informations, &c.

Jan. 13. Quixwood. 15. Wm. Earl of Salisbury to Carleton. Thanks for his recommendation of Mr. Kenithorpe to the Marquis of Buckingham.

Jan. 14. Wigan. 16. Bp. of Chester to Sir Robt. Naunton. Has found the son and heir of Chris. Anderton, of Lostock, at the house of John Preston, of the Manor, who, pretending to accompany the child to the Bishop, secretly sent him away, and declares that being deeply engaged for the child, who is sickly and would incur danger by being sent to London, he will hazard the Lords' displeasure, rather than produce him. Will send up Preston by the Pursuivant sent for the ward, if the latter cannot be found.

Jan. 14. London. 17. Archbp. of Spalato to [Carleton]. The thwarting of [Carleton's] interests by the King, which he foresaw, has taken place. Sir [Chris.] Perkins, Master of Requests, tells him that Sir [John] Kidderminster has a memorial for Langley. Unless Carleton can induce the King to revoke the memorial, can do nothing more than promise him the reversion of Wraysbury, for a small fine. Sends three copies of his second volume, for the States General, the Prince of Orange, and Carleton. Italian.

Jan. 16. Theobalds. 18. Promise by the King, at request of Buckingham, of the reversion of the Mastership of the Rolls, now held by Sir Julius Cæsar, to Sir Hen. Wotton.

Jan. 17. 19. Answer of John Howell to the bill exhibited against him by Sir John Walter, the Prince's Attorney General. Denies that he ever laid claim to the possession of the lands in Narberth, co. Pembroke, which he holds from the Prince, or refused to surrender them, or defaced the boundaries between them and his own freehold lands in Templetown, and withheld the records, as is complained of in the bill.

[Jan.] 18. Essex House. 20. Sir Fras. Nethersole to [Carleton]. To be zealous in the cause of Bohemia is thought a fault in the eyes of those that govern. Audiences of Baron Dona. Count Gondomar is expected, and Sir Walter Aston is preparing for Spain, and is to justify Lord [Doncaster's] proceedings in Germany. Sir Robt. Mansell is to be Admiral of the Fleet against the pirates, which will go out in Spring. The Council busy in erecting an Exchange for moneys, to prevent the export of silver by the goldsmiths, who have been the offenders, and will be heavily fined. Sir Lionel Cranfield has become a Councillor, and is married to a kinswoman of Buckingham, who is himself to marry the Earl of Rutland's daughter. Marquis Hamilton has refused the Captainship of the Gentleman Pensioners in favour of Lord Walden, that he might not seem to revenge an

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old grudge against him. Lord Purbeck is to succeed Sir Thos. Howard as Master of Horse to the Prince, and Chris. Villiers to succeed Purbeck as Master of the Robes. Sir Lionel Cranfield is added to the Treasury commission. Villeneuve, who brought the news of the French Queen's accouchement, is returning.

Jan. 18. Wigan. 21. Bp. of Chester to the Council. Repeats his letter of the 14th. John Preston absolutely refused to discover where the child was, except on promise that he should be left in the hands of some of his kindred; which promise being made, he engages to deliver him up. Has bound Preston in 2,000*l.* to appear before their Lordships when required.

Jan. 18. 22. Account of the increase of receipts of revenue, since Oct. 19, 1619, total 10,754*l.*, and of increase of issues 13,298*l.*, with sources of future probable increase of receipts.

Jan. 18. 23. Statement of the revenue as presented to the Council, showing a balance, in ordinary receipts over issues, of 61,555*l.*, to be spent on extraordinaries, when the sums anticipated on the revenue are discharged.

Jan 18. 24. State of some of the King's pressing debts, viz., anticipations on the revenue, and loans of merchant strangers, and of the city of London; total 203,961*l.*

Jan. 18. 25. Note of anticipations made upon the revenue of 1619, 1620, and 1621; total 89,535*l.*

Jan. 19. Grant to Sir Thos. Bludder of the imposition on coals, for twenty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 281.]

Jan. 20. Whitehall. 26. The Duke of Lenox to Lord Zouch. Requests him to stay Sir Edw. Baynton and Mr. Duns, who intend to cross the seas to fight, if they attempt to pass by the Cinque Ports.

Jan. 20. Blackfriars. 27. Sir John Killigrew to Carleton. Hopes to get a patent to compel contributions [for his lighthouse]; is in Buckingham's hands; has been much bound to Sec. Naunton.

Jan. 20. 28. Denial by Wm. Ward, Goldsmith, of Cheapside, that he seduced John Maria dell' Acqua, Glassmaker, from the service of Sir Robt. Mansell. *Annexing,*

28. I. *Confession of John Maria dell' Acqua. Was sent for from Venice by Sir Robt. Mansell, and worked under him for two years; on some discontent, Mr. Pickayes came and offered him, in Mr. Ward's name, the post of master of the glass works in Scotland; served Ward awhile, then Mr. Crawford, and lastly Mr. Orde, on contract, but the contract not being fulfilled, returned to London, and is now out of employment.*

28. II *Deposition of Agmondesham Pickayes. Did not offer to John Maria dell'Acqua, to be master of the glassworks in*

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Scotland. Acqua offered himself to enter the service of Wm. Ward, and said he left Sir Robt. Mansell because his work was increased but not his wages.

28. III. *Declaration of Jas. Orde. Paid good wages to John Maria [dell' Acqua] and Bernard Tamerlayne, who broke their contract to work for him, and stole away to England. Their witnesses are suborned or interested; is willing to pay their expenses back again, in order that the case may be tried before the Lord Chancellor and Clerk Registrar of Scotland, who were appointed referees in case of any dispute about the contract.*

Jan. 22. London. 29. Chamberlain to Carleton. Lady Bingley gone to Newmarket to solicit against her husband's loss of his place, for which he has a life patent, but she will fail, the place being given to Robt. Pye, a creature of Buckingham. Audley End was found entirely stripped of furniture, at which the King is much displeased, and threatens the Earl of Suffolk with another Star Chamber Bill; the Earl is 50,000*l.* in debt, and will have hard work to pay his 30,000*l.* fine; he hopes for favour, as the King and Buckingham are standing sponsors for [his grandchild] Lord Walden's son. Sir Thos. Lake is to make his personal submission in the Star Chamber, and to confess the justice of the sentence against him. The merchant strangers are still in the Fleet, and the debts owing to them are taken up for the King. Burlamachi has made his peace for 10,000*l.* ready money. Sir Thos. Rotherham and the Earl of Ormond's son and heir are cast away at sea. Night funeral at Westminster of old Lady Mary Rogers, sister of the Earl of Hertford, and wife of Sir Hen. Peyton. No rejoicings, as usual, at the birth of the Bohemian Prince; the King said to be a strange father, who will neither fight for his children nor pray for them.

Jan. 23. 30. Matthias Pase to Jose Croppenberg. Has seen much good iron ordnance cast at Liege and Courland, and thinks English ordnance will hereafter be in little request. Minute.

Jan. 24. Lydd. 31. Thos. Godfrey to Nicholas. The bailiff has stayed his suit on receipt of Lord Zouch's order. Particulars of proceedings in the unequal taxing of the parish. Hopes for the Judges' opinion as to whether a land tax per acre with a house tax is lawful.

Jan. 24. Dover. 32. Wm. Hannington to the Same. Requests favour respecting his brother's bond, and his place in [Arch-cliff] Bulwark. The captain refuses his brother's pay to his deputy.

Jan. 24. Beaumaris. 33. Sir Rich. Bulkeley to the Council. Has paid in 592*l.* for his would-be son's widow, and is willing at their Lordships' desire to allow her 40*l.* a year, but not to settle it on her, lest she should marry again.

Jan. 24. Grant to Thos. Ball of the office of an extent of 40,000*l.* [*Grant Bk., p.* 281.]

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Jan. 24. Grant to Geo. Marquis of Buckingham and others, of licence to make gunpowder. [*Grant Bk., p.* 281.]

Jan. 25. 34. Justices of Warwickshire to the Council. The complaint of the bailiff, &c. of Stratford-upon-Avon against Geo. Badger, Wm. Shaw, and John Beesley, for thatching their houses, was unjust, it being done before the orders against thatching arrived. The complainants are themselves living in thatched houses, and repairing them when decayed.

Jan. 25. London. 35. Sir Thos. Edmondes to [Carleton]. On the arrival of Baron Dona it was expected that the Elector Palatine would have been acknowledged King of Bohemia, but nothing is done; he went to the King to answer a Spanish paper against the acceptance of that Crown. The King was displeased with the Earl of Suffolk for trying to escape his fine of 30,000*l.*, by conveying away his lands and hiding his goods, but the Earl has submitted, and promised to pay.

Jan. 25. London. 36. Chamberlain to the Same. The King and Prince were entertained by Visct. Doncaster, a bountiful and complete gentleman, yet some wish England had never seen him. Sec. Calvert and Sir Lionel Cranfield joined to the Treasury Commission. Projected creations, and changes of office. The King is at Theobalds, and will go to Newmarket, if the snow will let him. There was a false report of a quarrel between Hamilton and Buckingham, because of some remarks made by the former about the debasing of ancient nobility by new advancements. The Bp. of London told his clergy that the King had ordered them to inveigh vehemently in their sermons against women wearing broad-brimmed hats, pointed doublets, short hair, and even some of them poniards, and if pulpit admonitions fail, another course will be taken.

Jan. 27. 37. [Deputy Lieutenants of Sussex] to the Earls of Arundel, Nottingham, and Dorset, Lords Lieutenant. Report improvements in the musters, owing to defaulters having been called to account. John Bish, of Brighthelmstone, always contemptuously refuses to attend the musters, and his example does harm. *Inclose,*

37. I. *Note of defaulters at the last musters, in Sussex, particularly of John Bish, of Brighton.*

Jan. 27. Cambridge. 38. Dr. John Gosling to Sir Clement Edmondes. Details proceedings in the case of Goodwin v. young Cotton, during his Vice Chancellorship. Old Cotton, with his family, rescued the son by force when he was arrested, and he refuses to acknowledge the authority of the Commissary's Court; has no personal malice in the case.

Jan. 27. Creation of Sir Fras. Bacon, Lord Verulam, Lord Chancellor, to the rank of Viscount St. Albans. [*Grant Bk., p.* 283.]

Jan.? 39. Petition of the Drapers of Shrewsbury and Oswestry to the Council, that they would summon Thos. Davies, draper of London, to answer for trading in their markets, which he first pleaded a right

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to do as a freeman of Oswestry, and afterwards changed his pretence, and appealed to the Mayor, &c. of London, to support his right to free trade, as a freeman of London.

Jan. ? 40. Petition of the Drapers of Shrewsbury and Oswestry to the Council. Complain of the intrusion of Charlton and Harby into their trade, by countenance of the city of London, who wish to engross all markets; pray that their trade be not diverted, as that would ruin them, and little benefit the Londoners.

Jan. ? 41. Petition of the Citizens of London to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen, to intercede with the Council for revocation of their decree, issued at suit of the drapers of Shrewsbury and Oswestry, depriving the Londoners of their ancient privilege of buying cloths in the Welsh markets. Signed by a great number of the citizens.

[Jan. 28.] 42. Petition of the Mayor, &c. of London to the Council, for examination into and repeal of an order in Council, prohibiting the freemen of London from buying Welsh cottons, &c., in the markets of Shrewsbury and Oswestry, the order being obtained by the misrepresentations of the drapers of those towns, who wish to engross the trade, and being already revoked in behalf of all other cities and towns.

Jan. 28. 43. Form of submission required from Sir Thos. Lake, acknowledging the justice of the King's sentence against him, for credulity and ignorance in countenancing his daughter, Lady Roos, in a cause foul and odious to the world and scandalous to the Countess of Exeter, and also for abusing the privilege of his office as Privy Councillor, by imprisoning Luke Hatton and Geo. Guillims, for his own private ends. Craves pardon of the Countess, and His Majesty's mercy.

[Jan. 28.] 44. Copy of the above.

Jan. 28. Blackfriars. 45. Sir John Killigrew to Carleton. Hopes small good of his labours, if the case is to be left to Capt. Moy Lambert, a mere creature of Barnevelt, who has a grudge against him. The Lizard Light will be most useful to the Hollanders, often enabling them to gain their own ports, instead of standing out to sea, or running into English harbours, and saving them from frequent shipwreck. Hopes Carleton will settle the business, or his project will be ruined and himself with it.

Jan. 28. Durham House. 46. The Bp. of Durham, Lord Lieutenant of Durham, to [the Council]. Has never encouraged the collection of Capt. Hodson's fees as Muster-master, because he refuses to train the troops; found no trained bands in the county, and neither foot nor horse are well furnished with arms. Capt. Hodson claims 50*l.* or 60*l.* per ann., but he is not needed, as each of the four wards has two deputy lieutenants and a captain, to train the troops and survey arms. Hopes to raise the footbands from 800 to 1,000, and the horse from 50 to 100. Has persuaded the county to compound for the King's household purveyance.

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Jan. 28. 47. Petition of John Thornton, of Lydd, to Lord Zouch, for leave to proceed in his suit against the overseer, for wrongful taking away of his cattle for an illegal poor rate, imposed by the bailiff without consent of the churchwardens, and contrary to the usual custom.

Jan. 28. Stratford-upon-Avon. 48. Wm. Wyatt, Bailiff, and Wm. Chandler, Chief Alderman, of Stratford-upon-Avon, to the Council. Their accusations against Geo. Badger, Wm. Shaw, and John Beesley, for thatching houses contrary to an Order in Council, are substantially correct. Can prove that Beesley persisted in thatching his house, after many warnings, saying he would not tile his house to save his neighbour's apricot tree from burning, &c. The others refused to change their thatch for tiles, as has been or will be done by all who certify against them, &c. *Annexed are,*

48. I. *Names of those who have thatched houses in Stratford-on-Avon, since the orders to the contrary, viz., Geo. Badger, draper; Wm. Shaw, clothier; John Beesley, alias Coxe, carpenter.*

48. II. *Wm. Shaw's bill for his journey to London and back, including the bill of the messenger sent down to serve the warrant on him; total* 6*l.* 16*s.* 8*d.*

48. III. *John Coxe* [*alias Beesley's*] *bill for fees due to the messenger,* 4*l.* 4*s.* 8*d.*

48. IV. *Geo. Badger's bill for going up to London, messenger's fees, &c.; total* 5*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.*

Jan. 28. London. 49. Sir Edwin Sandys to Sec. Naunton. Asks warrant from the Council to enforce the transportation of the hundred children to be sent to Virginia, at the expense of the City of London, there to be apprenticed and advantageously settled; some of the worse disposed of whom the City is desirous to be disburdened being unwilling to go.

Jan. 28. Creation of Fras. Baron Norris to the rank of Earl of Berkshire. [*Grant Bk., p.* 281.]

Jan. 28. Licence to Fras. Cotton to erect mills upon barges, &c., for twenty-one years, for the rent of 4*l.* yearly. [*Ibid., p.* 273.]

Jan. 28. Grant to Hen. Visct. Mandeville and others, of all fines for licences of alienations in Chancery, for seven years. [*Ibid., p.* 302.]

Jan. 29. Grant to Amb. and Toby Dudley of the office of collecting the subsidies and customs in the port of Newcastle-on-Tyne, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 273.]

Jan. 30. 50. Certificate that Thos. Berry, Fras. Munn, Robt. Hodgkin, and Hen. Ireland, made their appearance in the Star Chamber to answer the charges of the Attorney General, and have entered into recognizances to remain as long as required.

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Jan. 30. Newmarket. 51. Petition of Philip Jones, of London, to the King, for a patent to search all sacks of hops, home-grown or imported, to prevent deceits in the packing, the Act of Parliament for preventing sale of unwholesome hops having lapsed. With reference thereon to the Council. *Incloses,*

51. 1. *Statement of abuses in the modes of packing, gathering, and drying hops; of the expediency and legality of the King's erecting an office of survey; with request by the petitioner for a reasonble allowance for expenses of survey, &c.*

Jan. 30. Newmarket. 52. The King to the Council. To direct letters to all places pleading privilege of exemption from the jurisdiction of the Knight Marshal, to admit Sir Edw. Zouch to execute his office, and to stay all suits against him therefor, until they have proved their exemption before the King's learned counsel, to whom the case is referred by the Earl Marshal's Commissioners.

Jan. 31. Licence to John Jack to make coaches, waggons, and instruments for sowing corn, for the rent of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* [*Grant Bk., p.* 277.]

Jan. 31. Grant to Wm Smithsby and others, for the annual rent of 20*l.*, of all forfeitures upon a statute, made in 1 Eliz., for not unlading Malmsey wines at the port of Southampton. [*Ibid., p.* 279.]

Jan. Seaford. 53. Bailiff and Jurats of Seaford to Lord Zouch. The reason of the increased proportion of taxation on Lady Gratwick and her son Edward is, that the extent of their property is better known than it was; they are now only charged their just proportion, but no dues can be got from them without much trouble.

Jan. ? Grant to Sir Jas. Erskine of fines imposed in the Court of Star Chamber, viz., 8,000*l.* on Arnold Lulls, and 7,000*l.* on Jacques de Beste, for unlawful transporting of gold, silver, and coin. [*Sign Man., vol.* IX., *No.* 42.]

Jan. ? 54. Note that the King's reservation to himself in his printed book of all profits, alienations, fines, recoveries, &c., on his tenures, is a sufficient answer to the petition. Indorsed, "Mr. Nevill."

Jan. ? 55. Petition of the Merchants and Shipowners of Bristol to the Council, that the 500*l.* which they have paid in may be accepted in full discharge of their first payment towards suppressing pirates.

Jan. ? 56. Petition of Ingram Marton, of Westminster, to the Same, to procure payment to him from Sir John Bingley of 90*l.*, balance of 100*l.* left for him in Sir John's hands by Ant. Reynoldes. Complains that Sir John's allegations against him are untrue; is well known in Westminster as honest and well-behaved. *Annexed is,*

56. 1. *Statement* [*by Sir John Bingley to the Same*] *that one Stevens was executor to Ant. Reynoldes, Commissary of*

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Musters in Ireland; that he himself has nothing to do with the business, and that the complainant, Marton, is a lewd person, and refuses the Oath of Allegiance. Dec. 6, 1619.

Jan. ? 57. Bp. of Durham to Sir Clement Edmondes. Gives a full account of the present condition of the work at Berwick Bridge, with details of its erection; 10,000*l.* and 600 tons of timber, worth 24*s.* per ton, have already been spent upon it, exclusive of what was spent by the Earl of Dunbar from 1608 to 1611, and 2,000*l.* and 400 tons of timber are required for its completion.

Feb. 2. Yarmouth. 58. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to Lord Zouch. Request favour, &c. in the difference between them and the Bailiffs of the Cinque Ports, who intrude upon their privileges, and call them in question on trivial causes.

Feb. 3. Heaton. 59. Edw. Holland to the Council. Has received young Anderton, son and heir of Chris. Anderton, late of Lostock, by order of the Bp. of Chester; has entered into bond under 2,000*l.* for his safe custody for six months. With certificate by Oswald Moseley, Justice of the Peace, that he saw the said Anderton in Holland's charge. *Incloses,*

59. I. *John Preston to his uncle, Edw. Holland. Has been before the Council, who require a certificate which he requests him to send, that his little son-in-law, young Anderton, is with Mr. Holland. Jan.* 28.

Feb. 3. Essex House. 60. Sir Fras. Nethersole to Carleton. Lord [Doncaster] has been at Court to prepare the King for the coming of Baron Dona, but was much discouraged, although those who best know the Court say that all is in a good way.

Feb. 4. Newmarket. 61. Sir Geo. Calvert to the Council. The King refers to them, as acquainted with the business, the complaint of Sir Ant. Thomas concerning opposition made by the Bp. of Peterborough and others to his undertaking for draining the fens. The chief opponents are to be summoned, and His Majesty will himself be present at the consultation.

[Feb. 4.] 62. Petition of the Merchants of Ipswich to the Same, for revocation of the charter incorporating the clothworkers and tailors of the town, which gives them the oversight of their own workmanship, whereby the cloth dressing, for which Ipswich used to be famous, is much impaired and trade decayed.

[Feb. 4.] 63. Petition of the Clothiers of Ipswich to the Same, for revocation of the charter of incorporation granted to the clothworkers and tailors of Ipswich, who prevent the clothiers from dressing their own cloths, and do it so badly themselves that the town has lost the trade of the London drapers, and of many country clothiers.

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[Feb. 4.] 64. Petition of the Clothworkers and Tailors of Ipswich to the Council, to revoke their charter; the government, being managed by poor and unworthy persons, is only made a means of levying money from them.

Feb. 4. 65. Petition of Peter Howgill and John Greene to the Same, for release from the Marshalsea, to which they are committed on the suit of Sir Robt. Mansell, for importing foreign glass on pretext of its being for the King's service; request that the business may be submitted to the Committee for glass.

Feb.? 66. Deposition of the Same, that Mr. Robson, Sir Robt. Mansell's servant, said he chose his worst glass for Mr. Dynes, who supplied the King's glazier, because they had spoken ill both of the glass, and of his master, Sir Robt. Mansell.

Feb.? 67. Deposition of John Dynes, that Sir Robt. Mansell and his man refused to sell him the glass wanted for the King's new buildings at Newmarket.

Feb. 6. 68. Lord Mayor, &c. of London to the Council. Since corn was cheaper, have changed the assize of bread from thirteen to seventeen ounces the penny wheat loaf, at which the bakers complain already. Have ordered the several companies to provide match and powder as required by their Lordships.

Feb. 6 Lydd. 69. John Allen to Nicholas. Is desirous to know as soon as possible the Judges' opinion on the assessment for relief of the poor.

Feb. 6. Whitehall. 70. Statement of assignations made upon the revenue for supply of 29,396*l.* 0*s.* 4*d.*, the second year's charge of the Commissioners for the Navy; with special order from the Council to the Officers of the Exchequer, that the moneys specified be not otherwise appropriated.

Feb. 6. Grant to Hen. Garway and others of the impost on wines, for nine years and a half. [*Grant Bk., p.* 275.]

Feb. 7. Lydd. 71. Thos. Godfrey and Peter Maplesden to Lord Zouch. Godfrey requests that the suit between John Thornton and the overseer who seized his cattle for non-payment of taxes, should be removed to Dover Court, the judge and some of the jury in Lydd being interested parties. Has bought the cattle himself, but will place them at his Lordship's disposal.

Feb.? 72. Breviate [by Nicholas] of precedents, from 27 Edw. III., to prove that all writs from the Star Chamber and Chancery Courts, for any member of the Cinque Ports, are illegal, unless directed to the Lord Warden.

Feb. 7. Newmarket. 73. Buckingham to Lord Zouch. Is sorry that the collection of the Breviate [relating to the jurisdiction of the Cinque Ports] should give his Lordship so much trouble; will lay it before his counsel, and hopes their harmless contention will soon come to a good conclusion.

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Feb. 7. Newmarket. Proclamation enforcing the former proclamation of July 31, 1619, against accepting light gold in payment, except at a lower rate, and ordering all gold below a certain standard to be brought for re-coinage, and scales for weighing it to be kept in every town. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 75.]

Feb. 8. York House. 74. Lord Chancellor Bacon to Sir Edw. Conway. The decision in his suit is, that he should pay 100*l.* to Sir John Packington at his house in Hampton Lovett, [Wor]cestershire. Mutilated.

Feb. 9. Newmarket. 75. Petition of Jeffry Duppa and Thos. Stanley to the King, to refer to the Council their project for establishing common brewers throughout the kingdom, who, being limited to brew according to assize, the brewing of strong ales by innkeepers and others would be prevented. The brewers will pay the King 4*d.* on every quarter of malt brewed. Also request for stay of the proposed incorporation of the brewers of Yarmouth, till this suit is decided on. With references thereon, and report of the conditions on which it may be granted, dated March 31.

Feb. 10. Gray's Inn. 76. Jas. Thurbarne to Nicholas. Requests him to speak to the Lord Warden, that Mr. Jenkins, Mayor of Folkestone, may have time to put in a bill of traverse, if the other party compound for the mean rates of his land.

Feb. 10. 77. List of the contributions brought in by certain sea-port towns, for suppressing pirates.

Feb. 11. 78. Bond by Sir John Danvers, of Chelsea, to the Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, in 150*l.*, for the faithful payment of the receipts of the Alienation Office, by Thos. Bond, appointed Receiver General of Fines for Alienation.

Feb. 11. 79. Similar bond by Sir Wm. Maynard, Bart., of Little Easton, Essex.

Feb. 11. 80. Justices of Middlesex, to the Council. Have acquainted the bricklayers in and near London with their Lordships' order to reduce the excessive price of bricks, and laid down rules specified for their manufacture; the price to be 8*s.* per 1,000 at the kiln, for bricks 2 inches by 4, and 2 inches thick; the buyer to be at liberty to lead them if he chooses.

Feb. 12. 81. Petition of Geo. Copper, husbandman, to Lord Zouch, to be relieved from an exorbitant assessment, laid on him because he is a retainer of Lady Gratwick and her son.

Feb. 12. London. 82. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King will spend Lent at or near London. The Court pass their time merrily at Newmarket, in running, masques, &c.; they have been at Sir John Croft's, near Bury. The King and Prince are going thither shroving. Sir Robt. Carr killed Maxwell in a duel, but was pardoned at the earnest request of the Prince. Sons born to the Earl of Dorset and Lord Walden. Divers gentlemen called in question for staying in London at Christmas, contrary to proclamation. The Lord Privy

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Seal has sat in the Court of Requests, wishing to advance his place, which he intends to sell to the Earl of Arundel, who thirsts for employment. The pulpits ring continually against the insolence and impudence of women; the players and ballad singers also take them to task, &c.

Feb. 13. 83. Certificate of the Mayor, &c. of Oxford to the Commissioners for the office of Earl Marshal, and to Visct. Wallingford, Steward of the City, in the case of Wm. Potts, against Matt. Harrison and Wm. Wright, proving from precedents that the bailiffs, associates, and aldermen of Oxford stand in precedence according to seniority of election, and that the order is not changed when a junior alderman is elected mayor before a senior.

Feb. 13. Newmarket. 84. Petition of the Commissioners of Sewers to the King, that the undertakers for draining lands in Cambridgeshire and the Isle of Ely may be directed to desist from including in their undertaking many thousands of acres, which are never so inundated as to be worth less than 8*s*., 10*s*., or 20*s*. per acre per ann., and which the inhabitants are willing to drain. Urge him to give an hour's hearing to the suit between the undertakers and the inhabitants on the rivers Ouse and Grant. With reference thereon.

Feb. 14. 85. Note of the distribution of 5*l*. given by Lord Barry to the household of [Archbp. Abbot].

Feb. 15. 86. Petition of Coortis Cooll, of London, to Lord Zouch, for redress against John Acheson, presented by him to the parsonage of Pevensey and Manxey, who, with Edw. Osborne, withholds from him the tithes, and threatens his life; holds the parsonage by lease from the late Nich. Burton, and pays rent to his son, Thos. Burton.

[Feb. 16.] 87. Petition of the Fishers and Salters of Cornwall to the Council, for hearing of their previous complaints against the patent granted to Hen. Heron, of the sole power to salt and pack fish in Devonshire and Cornwall. With memoranda thereon.

Feb. 17. 88. Requisition [by certain inhabitants of Cornwall] to Sir Rich. Buller and Edw. Cosowarth, to follow their cause for freedom from restraint of salting and packing of fish.

Feb. 17. Rye. 89. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Had elected for their town-clerk a freeman and attorney in their Court, and assistant to the late clerk, before receiving his Lordship's letter of Dec. 30, which was not delivered till Feb. 4.

Feb. 17. Blackfriars. 90. Sir John Killigrew to Carleton. Holland merchants may give their contribution [to the Lizard Light] as mere bounty, so that it cannot, as they fear, be afterwards urged to compel them to continue it. Their merchants have lost 100,000*l*. there within ten years. It costs 10*s*. to maintain the light in a stormy night. The Trinity House, who have grown insolent since the Navy officers were displaced and they put in authority, oppose his having a patent, pretending that all lights and sea-marks belong to them.

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Must extinguish the light if not supported. Wishes to hire a Flemish pink to carry fish to the Straits.

Feb. 18. Leicester. 91. Justices [of Peace] of Leicestershire to Sir Hen. Hobart and Sir Edw. Bromley, Justices of Assize. Think the providing a storehouse for corn, as ordered for encouragement of farmers and relief of the poor, unnecessary, the county being remote from any means of exporting grain, and growing chiefly peas and barley, which cannot be long kept.

Feb. 18. London. 92. Geo. Carleton to Sir D. Carleton. Loss of a bargain intended for Sir Dudley. Hopes he will not require him to contribute towards the maintenance of his son Dudley. Private affairs.

Feb. 20. Bedford House. 93. Sir Fras. Nethersole to [the Same]. The King commanded Baron Dona to prepare an answer to the Spanish ministers' information that the Crown of Bohemia was only elective on failure of heirs male, and that Ferdinand's deposition was unlawful. His answer to the first point was conclusive, and he is sent to prepare one to the second. He was sanguine at first, from the zeal of the Prince, Buckingham, and others, as to obtaining substantial aid, but the King, unwilling to call a Parliament, sits still, seeing what will be done without him; he even refused to second the King of Bohemia's request to the City of London for a loan of 100,000*l.*; he will not engage himself in any way till the arrival of Gondomar, who is at Paris, and Doncaster is obliged to cease his useless efforts. The report of Carleton's projected recall is false.

Feb. 20? 94. Thos. Godfrey to Nicholas. Thinks Mr. Maplesden was right in refusing to subscribe to a poor rate which blends lands and goods together, in order to spare the purses of certain parties, whereas other towns tax at 1*d.* per acre. The tax is generally unpopular; proofs of its injustice. Hopes for the speedy opinion of the Judges.

Feb. 21. Dover. 95. Wm. Ward, Mayor of Dover, to Lord [Zouch]. Good wishes for Sir Hen. Mainwaring, appointed Lieutenant of Dover Castle. Will send up the money and securities for the goods seized at Mr. Brames'; never said that his Lordship had received more money for them than his share would come to.

Feb. 21. Dover Castle. 96. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to the Same. Gratitude for his appointment. Particulars about the Boder [Messenger], and Gunners of the Castle, &c. Thinks foreigners had better be kept out of the gun-yard, the guns being all dismounted, excepting those that are on cart wheels.

Feb. 21. 97. Sir Ranulph Crew and Sir Thos. Coventry to [the Council]. Have examined [Thos.] Davies, and find that he is a freeman of London, that he lately became free of the Company of Mercers and Drapers of Oswestry, and has since dealt in buying Welsh cottons; but instead of taking them to Blackwell Hall, according to rule, he has sold them privately in London. He offers to resign his London freedom, and confine himself to Oswestry. Fear the precedent would be followed, and impair the trade of Shrewsbury, &c.

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Feb. 23. 98. Lord Carew and Sir Julius Cæsar to [the Council]. Sir Ralph Sedley and his wife, formerly wife of Capt. Malby, claim from Lady Lambert, widow of Lord Lambert, the wardship of Geo. Malby, which Lord Lambert, to whom it was granted, promised to assign over to them for 700*l.*; they also demand Lady Sedley's dower-share in her late husband's inheritance, and the goods of Hen. Malby, elder brother of George deceased, which were in Lord Lambert's hands. Opinions on the validity of the claim; Lady Lambert professes herself unable to pay to John Paulet and Sara his wife, late Sara Malby, the portion which they claim for the latter from the profits of the wardship, which are expended in paying the debts of Hen. Malby and Lord Lambert, &c.

Feb. 23. Faversham. 99. Mayor of Faversham to Lord Zouch. Committed Geo. Wood, servant of Dr. Edw. Lapworth, to prison, for wishing that all the Protestants in England were hanged, but released him on bail, on his professing penitence, and taking the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

Feb. 25. Theobalds. Proclamation prohibiting the bringing in of foreign glass, confining a permission given to the patentees, before their works were completed, to import glass, to glasses of rare and curious sorts, and forbidding the erection of glass-works by any but the patentees. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 76.]

Feb. 25. 100. Account of Sir Wm. Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, for the year 1619; total receipts 36,323*l.* 3*s.* 1¼*d.*; balance due 150*l.* 5*s.* 1¼*d.*; signed by the Commissioners of the Navy.

Feb. 25. 101. Commissioners of the Navy to [the Council]. Report on the accounts of Sir Robt. Mansell, late Treasurer of the Navy, for the last five years, pointing out the abuses by him committed therein. Slightly defaced.

Feb. 25. 102. Copy of the above, supplying some of the deficiencies.

Feb. 25. 103. Commissioners of the Navy to Robt. Pye. Of the January and February instalments of the 800*l.* per month, payable out of the customs for victualling the Navy, 660*l.* is to be paid to the Treasurer and 940*l.* to the Surveyor of Victuals.

Feb. 26. London. 104. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Ambassador of the Princes of the Union has been at Theobalds, and returns with cold comfort. The King is only bound to assist them in a defensive war for religion. The defection of the Prince of Transylvania gives a great blow to the cause. Sir And. Gray has made suit to be allowed to raise 2,000 volunteers for Bohemia. The King has given Lord Doncaster 20,000*l.* for his last journey. Money is so scarce that the Navy funds are intrenched upon, and grants so searched that the Broad Seal is no longer sacred. Peacock, a schoolmaster, committed to the Tower and tortured, for practising sorcery upon the King, to infatuate him in Sir Thos. Lake's business. Fatal accident to Sir Thos. Holcroft. Sir John [Roger] North is going to the River Amazon;

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his voyage is protested against by Sir John Digby as to the prejudice of the King of Spain.

Feb. 26. 105. Sir Hen. Hobart, Sir Julius Cæsar, and Sir Thos. Edmondes, to [the Council]. Think under-corporations in cities generally injurious. Do not advise the revocation of the patent of incorporation to the Tailors and Clothworkers of Ipswich, but rather its better management, by associating some of the magistrates as governors, admitting none but freemen, having the cloth dressing examined, &c.

[Feb. 26.] 106. Petition of John Mere, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Same, for release; has been confined since Nov. 10, for a matter relating to Lord Digby.

Feb. 28. Dover. 107. Wm. Ward to Lord Zouch. Sends an account of the goods seized at Brames', and the money received for them; also of charges for repairing and keeping his Lordship's pinnace. Has ordered payment of the balance to his Lordship, and begs discharge thereof. *Incloses,*

107. I. *Note of money received for the wines, tobacco, and currants seized at Mr. Brames', Michaelmas* 1619.

107. II. *Disbursements by Wm. Ward about the pinnace, from July* 12, 1619.

Feb.? 108. Petition of the Gunners of Dover to the Same, for order that watch in Dover may be kept by two only each night, instead of four as lately appointed by him, their health being injured by loss of rest.

Feb. 28. Dover Castle. 109. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [the Same]. Over estimate of Wm. Eldred for the platforms required for the Castle. Asks leave to have only two watchmen by night and four by day, instead of, as at present, two by day and four by night, one of whom only keeps awake, and rouses the others, when any one comes. The French King is to visit Calais. Storms on the coast of Portugal. A great flag much wanted for the Castle. *Incloses,*

109. I. *Information by Geo. Barber, at Sandwich, of his dealings with John Woodland and others, pirates, and by Ant. Jones, of his seeing cable secretly conveyed away at night; with note by Mainwaring that nothing is yet done therein, And. Hurlston, of Sandwich, the chief offender, being at sea.*

Feb. 29. Whitehall. Proclamation prohibiting the general import of logwood, but permitting Sir Thos. Compton to import fifty tons yearly, to be used in dyeing mean commodities only; the names of the purchasers to be registered. All other logwood imported to be seized, half of it burnt, and the other half delivered by the informer, for 6*l.* per ton, to Sir Thos. Compton. Printed. [*Proc. Bk., No.* 78.]

Feb.? 110. Wm. Eldred to Lord Zouch. Chas. Crimble [one of the Gunners] refuses to work on the platforms; Mr. Marsh supports

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him, calls Eldred an intruder, disobeys his Lordship's commands by feeding his own horses in his pastures, allowing his family to disregard the orders not to go out after the hour for shutting the gates, &c., and opposes Eldred in his duty.

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March 1. 1. Names of six Commissioners of Sewers of Cambridgeshire and Ely, to whom the petition of the inhabitants of the county about the business of the undertakers for draining the fens is referred,. Request of Sir Edw. Peyton to be withdrawn from the number, and consent thereto.

March 3. Westminster. Grant to John Conway, of Kirchynan, and Wm. Conway, of Gweringron, both co. Flint, of pardon for homicide, it being done without previous motive, and the offenders being of honest lives. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 43.]

March 3. Whitehall. 2. Order in Council for stay of all suits against merchant strangers for the King's moiety of forfeitures on Malaga wines landed at other ports beside Southampton, the grant to Southampton being of half the fines on Levant wines landed at any other port, and Malaga having been already decided not to be comprehended therein. French. Indorsed with note of its delivery to the French Ambassador, Oct. 12.

March ? 3. [Geo. Clay and Wm. Kniveton] to the King. The arrears due on Levant wines being granted to them, and those on Malaga wines remitted, at suit of the French Ambassador, request that that remission may be made void, or else that the other dues may be enforced by law to be paid on order.

March 4. Faversham. 4. Mayor of Faversham to Lord Zouch. Particulars of the suit of Wm. Gatlitt against Thos Oliver for debt. Knows not how to relieve Gatlitt, because Oliver, after being released on bail, made his appearance at Court, so that his sureties are discharged, and afterwards escaped from the town, and cannot be found.

March 4. 5. Grant of a pension of 50*l.* per ann. to John Ferris, Master Cook to the late Prince Henry, with note of its enrolment in the Exchequer, Oct. 3, 1661.

March 5. Berwick. 6. Commissioners of the Borders to the Council. Have examined strictly into the accounts for Berwick Bridge, and questioned the workmen. Find some unexpected charges, for expenses, gratuities, &c., given [in the Exchequer], in order to obtain the money allowed, but the work done is substantial and good, only the late great flood carried away a small portion. *Inclose,*

6. I. *Inventory of necessary provisions for the stone bridge at Berwick, now remaining in hand, Feb.* 19. *Delivered to the Commissioners, March* 4.

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6. II. *Account by the Mayor, &c. of Berwick, of money received and expended on the stone bridge, from May* 20, 1611, *to Dec.* 24, 1619. *Total receipts* 10,000*l.; balance in hand* 183*l.* 6*s.* 9¾*d. March* 4.

6. III. *Estimate of the amount of timber spent on the stone bridge at Berwick, and of the mode of its employment. Total* 873 *trees. Berwick, March* 4.

6. IV. *Account of riding charges and ordinary expenses in procuring the moneys for the bridge, since the Earl of Dunbar's death. Total* 394*l.* 7*s.* 6*d. March* 4.

6. V. *Account of the extraordinary expenses in procuring moneys for Berwick Bridge, since* 1611, *viz., fees to the servants of officers of state, to the tellers, &c. of the Exchequer, the writers of the warrants, &c. Total,* 105*l.* 3*s.* 4*d. Dec.* 24, 1619. *Delivered March* 4.

March 5. Pevensey. 7. Bailiff and Jurats of Pevensey to Lord Zouch. Thos. Stroker, who complains of delay in his suit in the Court of Pevensey, is himself to blame, for refusing either to pay 10*s.* demanded beforehand for counsel's fees, as is customary in that court, or to submit to arbitration. His report of threatening speeches against him by Wm. Hammond, Town Clerk, and John Castreat, is false.

March 5. Dover Castle. 8. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [the Same]. Certifies him of the arrival at Dover Castle of the Spanish Ambassador.

March 6. Dover Castle. 9. The Same to [Nicholas]. Thanks for his advertisements. Hopes for frequent correspondence.

March 6. Dover Castle. 10. The Same to Lord [Zouch]. The town of Dover could not give a banquet to the Spanish Ambassador, nor was he received with a salute, because he came in a small vessel which had no ordnance to fire one in return, but nine pieces were fired at his departure. Went to meet him on the beach, for which courtesy he said in jest, that he would excuse him [Mainwaring] twelve crowns out of the million he owed the Spaniards, if he would pay the rest. He begged liberty for Whitmore, a recusant prisoner, to walk on the beach for his health. The French King did not come near Calais, the Protestants being in arms.

March 6. 11. List of extraordinary receipts in the Exchequer since the first entry of the Lords Commissioners [of the Treasury]. Total, 161,367*l.*

March 6. 12. List of extraordinary issues since the first entry of the Lords Commissioners, July 24, 1618. Total, 147,283*l.*

March 7. 13. Articles exhibited by Edm. Troutbeck against Wm. Clough, Vicar of Bramham, and confirmed by the deposition of witnesses, accusing him of irreverent and improper words, unseemly conduct in church, personal abuse of his parishioners, saying the King's book

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on the Sabbath was contrary to God's law, railing at the ceremonies of the church, &c.

March 9. 14. Memoranda [by Sir Thos. Wilson] on the jewels pawned by the States to Queen Elizabeth, her loan to them of 100,000*l.*, the payment of Palavicino's debt, &c.

March 9. Westminster. Confirmation of articles drawn up by the Attorney General and Recorder of London, regulating the use of the hot press by persons allowed of by Sir Geo. Douglas, to whom, and to Geo. Douglas, his son, the granting of licences to use the hot press for certain classes of goods is accorded. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 44.]

March 10. 15. Agreement between the Commissioners of the Navy and Wm. Burrell, for building two ships of war, one of 650 and one of 450 tons, for the sum of 8,575*l.*

March 10. 16. Draft of the above.

March 10. Derby. 17. Justices [of Peace] of Derbyshire to Sir Hen. Hobart and Sir Edw. Bromley, Justices of Assize. The erection of a magazine for corn in the county is not necessary; the supply grown is insufficient for the people, and no farmers are ruined by the cheapness of corn, as the prices would not have fallen but for a supply of foreign rye.

March 11. London. 18. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King came to London before Shrovetide; much feasting and jollity. The Prince gave a ball and banquet at Denmark House, the cost of which he lost in a wager at tennis with Buckingham; many mistresses and valentines were there, a custom grown into request lately; abundance of sweetmeats provided, but no supper. The Bp. of Winchester preached an excellent Lent sermon. Sir Thos. Edmondes succeeds the late Sir Geo. Coppin in his office of Clerk of the Crown, worth 600*l.* or 700*l.* a year. The Earl of Rutland's only son is thought to have died by witchcraft; Buckingham has now a better chance to obtain his demands for the sister, which are, 20,000*l.* ready money and 8,000*l.* per ann. Splendid reception of the Spanish Ambassador; Ely House handsomely furnished for him. Drums beat for recruits for the King of Bohemia. Sir Robt. Carr, who killed Maxwell, being uneasy at the delays in his pardon, stood his trial at Cambridge Assizes, and was found guilty of manslaughter, but his sentence was deferred by the Lord Chief Justice, till further instructions. The Dean of Westminster forbade ladies in yellow ruffs to be admitted into his church, but the King said his objection was not against yellow ruffs, but other manly and unseemly apparel.

March 11. 19. Sir John Killigrew to the Same. A ship has been wrecked [at the Lizard Point], not knowing that a light was maintained there; begs speedy resolution whether the States will contribute to the light, as otherwise it must be discontinued.

March 12. 20. Petition of Ralph Colbourne, Hour-glass Maker, to the Commissioners for Glass, to be relieved from oppression by Sir Robt.

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Mansell, who constrains him to buy his glasses in London, which are bad and high priced; begs leave to buy them at any of Mansell's works. With order thereon granting the petition.

March 12. 21. Justices of Peace of Northamptonshire to Sir Hen. Hobart and Sir Edw. Bromley, Justices of Assize. Do not find a magazine for storing corn necessary for their county, no grain being particularly cheap but barley, which is 16*s.* a quarter, but the poor should have it cheap to prevent their discontent and tumultuous levelling; the cheapness is chiefly occasioned by scarcity of money, owing to the fall in the price of wool, and its slow sale, for which they request redress.

March 12. 22. Justices of Peace of Nottinghamshire to the Same. Need no storehouse for corn, the prices,—viz., barley 18*s.* the quarter, wheat 26*s.*, rye 24*s.*, peas 16*s.*, oats 11*s.*,—being not extraordinarily low; nor is future scarcity to be feared, as other counties who send up the Trent for coals bring in corn whenever it is needed.

March 13. Bristol. 23. Mayor of Bristol to the Council. Has failed to induce the merchants, &c. to pay the full sum required as their contribution against pirates. Their excuses are true; they have lost 8,000*l.* in one year by shipwrecks and pirates. *Incloses,*

23. 1. *Merchants, &c. of Bristol to Thos. Packer, Mayor. Request him to urge the Council to accept the* 500*l. already paid as their full contribution against pirates, their poverty, many losses, and decay of shipping by resort of Scottish ships, preventing their raising more. Have already spent* 500*l. of their own against English and Irish pirates in the Channel.*

March 13. Dover Castle. 24. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord [Zouch]. His Lordship's privileges are abused by the waiters of the Farmers [of Customs]. Suggests regulations far the Droit Gatherers. The fines on the rioters at Fordwich are heavy, considering that they rose in defence of the Ports' privileges. Virginia tobacco seized because landed by night. Whitmore, the Papist, seems likely to conform. Proclamation at Calais, denouncing as traitors all who attend the Protestant Synod at Loudun.

March 13. Dover Castle. 25. The Same to [Nicholas]. Asks what books and mathematical instruments Lord Zouch can send him, his own being lost at Venice. Will make the bowling alley like a Turkey carpet, against his Lordship comes. Hugessen's sheep eat up the pasture, and the deer grow very lean.

March 16. Westminster. Grant to John Dickson of a patent for his invention of backstalls or back frames, for the ease of sick persons troubled with heat in their backs, on his paying 20*s.* yearly to the King. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 45.]

March 19. Lincoln. 26. Justices of Lincolnshire to Sir Hen. Hobart. Think the burden of erecting, furnishing, and keeping up a storehouse for corn

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would be greater than the present inconvenience of low prices, which arise not from great superfluity, but partly from importation of grain, and partly from want of money, because cattle and wool do not sell as usual. The victuallers, butchers, and innkeepers are much troubled by the new commission to compound for their recognizances. Informers so abound that people hardly know how to act. Beg that steps may be taken for redress.

March 19. Eton. 27. Sir Hen. Savile to Carleton. Sir J. Kidderminster is confident of the King's favour. Knows not how the Bp. of Spalato will act about Wraysbury. Desires the loan of Scaliger on Aristotle.

March ? 28. Petition of John Anthony, a negro, to Lord Zouch, for payment of 30*l.* wages, due to him for services on board the ship Silver Falcon, which the Mayor of Dover is ordered not to pay without warrant.

March ? 29. Petition of the Same to the Same, that the money may either be paid to himself or to Sir Hen. Mainwaring, his present master.

March 20. Dover Castle. 30. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [the Same]. Is sorry that his proceedings with the Spanish Ambassador and Whitmore are not approved, &c. The burning of the sea ore is much complained of, and is prejudicial to the breed of seamews. Hopes to disprove the Lord Admiral's claim to rights on Cinque Port goods. The French are assembling an army of 50,000 in Champagne. The Mayor has paid the black boy's money, with interest.

March 20. Colchester. 31. Certificate by the Bailiffs and Aldermen of Colchester, that the Company of Baize-makers there have undertaken to set down their grievances in writing, within one month, and in the meantime to forbear the prosecution of their petition to the Council.

March 20. London. 32. Chamberlain to Carleton. An East Indian ship, worth 16,000*l.*, lost between Gravesend and London, which, with quarrels among themselves, shakes the credit of the Company; that of the Farmers of Customs is shaken, by trade being at such a stand still. The King of Bohemia wrote to borrow 100,000*l.* of the City. The King offered no opinion on the loan, but said he would take kindly anything they did. They wait to see what His Majesty and the clergy and nobles will do. Accident by the sinking of a floor of the Terrace at Whitehall, as the Spanish Ambassador was passing to his first audience; the King will not have it looked on as ominous. Sir Robt. Anstruther gone Ambassador to Denmark. Sir Robt. Carr banished, instead of being burnt in the hand. The Dean of Westminster succeeding Dr. Fotherby as Bp. of Salisbury, [John] Williams is made Dean of Westminster, and Dr. Bowles succeeds him as Dean of Salisbury; poor Dr. Donne is left out. Lady Lake, on plea of sickness, is enlarged, on bond for 2,000*l.*, to return to the Tower, if she does not make her submission. The King is expected at St. Paul's Cross, to hear the Bp. of London preach, and to see about the repair of the Cathedral, which is in a very ruinous state.

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March 21. Whitehall. 33. Sir Fras. Nethersole to [Carleton]. Some hope that Sir Robt. Anstruther's embassy to Denmark is to borrow money to support the Princes of the Union; but others fear that the King will do nothing save by embassies. The city of London would contribute freely to the Bohemian cause, if they could have some warrant from the King or Council that they would not afterwards be blamed for it. The clergy have engaged to contribute, the Bishops giving 100*l.* or more each. The Earl of Dorset offers 1,000*l.* a year for five years, if the wars last so long. Large sums could be raised, if volunteers might be sent; but Sir And. Gray's troop was sent away in ill condition. Gondomar is more made of, and more hated, than ever; he has opened a back door in his house to let Catholics in privately to worship; but his neighbour, Lady Hatton, hinders it. The Catholics say that the King's approaching visit to St. Paul's is to hear the Bp. of London preach on the Spanish match; the Protestants, that he goes to exhort the people to contribute for the King of Bohemia, who will be publicly prayed for; the truth being, that it is to advance the contributions towards the re-building of St. Paul's. Buckingham's marriage with the Earl of Rutland's daughter proceeds untowardly.

March 21? 34. Archbp. of Canterbury, and Bps. of Durham and Winchester, to the Bp. of Peterborough. The King's son-in-law and daughter being unfortunate, and in unsafe condition, the more able clergy are urged to lend moneys on their behalf to their Ambassador, Baron Dona, to be gathered in with assiduity, and as quietly as possible. The clergy are not to give the Prince and Princess any other titles than heretofore, it belonging not to them to assign titles, but to follow their sovereign; neither are they to preach of the war as one of religion, which would stir up all Europe.

[March 21.] 35. Memorial of the Brewers' Company, of London, to [the Council]. Pray not to be obliged, according to proclamation, to put beer into barrels or smaller vessels, but to be permitted to have the use of wine casks, as heretofore. With reasons in behalf of their request.

[March 21.] 36. Duplicate of the above.

March 21? 37. Answers to the objections of the Brewers and Vintners to the late proclamation, against the use of wine casks by brewers, victuallers, and tipplers.

March 22. Westminster. Proclamation that the hot press being found necessary for certain sorts of woollen goods, it may be used by persons skilful and well approved, according to regulations already laid down. Printed. [*See March* 9. *Proc. Coll., No.* 79.]

March 23. Grant to John Arthur of the office of Ranger in the Forest of Dean, co. Gloucester, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 279.]

[March 23.] Saturday. Whitehall. 38. Sir Edw. Zouch to Lord Zouch. The Prince wishes a pass for Sir Robt. Carr, who killed Maxwell, and whom he sends beyond sea, because he will not have his father's edicts slighted. Advises his

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Lordship, in sending the pass, to mention the weakness of the ports and castles to the Prince, as he begins to have power. Lord Arundel had his cloak torn, and Lord Gerard his face hurt, in the accident at Don Diego [Gondomar's] entrance. The drums for Bohemia beat daily at his door. The Venetian Ambassador gives precedence to the Bohemian. Lady Buckingham has taken away the Earl of Rutland's daughter, because, though she loves Buckingham, and he has declared that he will marry no one who does not attend church, she refuses to go; and the King, who failed to persuade her, thinks it is through the influence of her mother and sister; his Majesty is said to be in the plot. Lady Buckingham says the Earl of Rutland wished her to take charge of his daughter awhile, and that then her mother refused to receive her back. List of the runners at the tilt.

March 24. Rye. 39. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Send their answer to a letter from some of the Lords. Ask if he thinks the present a fit opportunity to complain of the unlawful fishing of Frenchmen, which much injures them. *Inclose,*

39. I. *Officers of the Household to the Mayor and Jurats of Rye. Caution them to provide a better supply of fish for the King's Household during Lent, and to prevent the sale of it in open market, until the choicest is taken at moderate prices for the King and Prince. Whitehall, March* 7.

39. II. *Mayor and Jurats of Rye to* [*the Officers of the Household*]. *The weather has been too bad for fishing, and there is great destruction of fish in the Sowe, &c., by means of unlawful nets and engines, especially by the French fishermen, only thirteen of whom are allowed, but forty or fifty fish boldly.*

[March 24.] 40. List of the Tilters. With note, that the Prince, having hurt Lord Montgomery in the arm, Thos. Carey ran in his stead.

March 27. Dover Castle. 41. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Lord Zouch]. Went to Canterbury to see Lord Wotton's gardens, as he wishes his Lordship to eat a musk melon from his own garden in Dover Castle. Mr. Ford begs mitigation of the fines for the riot at Fordwich, as it was in defence of his Lordship's right of fishery. Knows not how to act about the hare warren, Sir Sam. Peyton being continued in the command which he had when there was no Lieutenant. Seized the dogs of persons coursing in the warren. Many poachers in the neighbourhood, &c.

March 27. 42. Sir Rich. Younge to [the Same]. Tilting at Court on the 24th, at which the Prince distinguished himself, to the great joy of the people. On the 26th, the King went in state to St. Paul's; but the Earl of Oxford, the younger sons of Earls, and the Knights who were Privy Councillors, were not in the procession, because a question arose about their precedency. Particulars of the service; the Bishop

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dwelt on the need of supporting the gospel, his heart being in Bohemia; he also spoke of the ruinous condition of the Cathedral, and the duty of contributing towards its repair, &c.; the King banquetted with him after service. Great praise given to Sir Edw. Zouch's conduct as Knight Marshal.

March 27. 43. Certificate, by Sir Lewis Lewkenor, that Sir Philip Knyvet takes the Oath of Allegiance, pretending occasions to go beyond sea.

March 27. Chapel of Harborough. 44. Instrument attested of Geo. Pormorte, Notary, promising cessation of all further prosecution of the Guardians of St. Mary's-in-Arden. Latin.

March 28. 45. Abstract presented by the Auditors of the Exchequer to [the Council] of the accounts of the Mayor, &c. of Berwick, for building the Bridge, from June 20, 1611, to the last of Dec. 1619.

March 29. Durham House. 46. Rich. Neyle, Bp. of Durham, to Dr. Lambe, Chancellor of Peterborough. Details of payments made to him as Bp. of Lincoln, &c., by the Archdeacon of Leicester.

March ? 47. Petition of Jas. Ord to the King, that glass imported contrary to proclamation, which is claimed by Sir Robt. Mansell, may be given in charge to neutral persons, until it be ascertained whether Mansell and his partners supply a sufficient quantity of glass.

March ? 48. Petition of many Glaziers to the Same, that the proposed glassworks in Scotland may proceed, in order that they may not be compelled to buy Sir Robt. Mansell's glass, which is scarce, bad, and brittle; whilst of that made in London, the best is taken by the undertakers, who are glaziers, and yet the rest sold at full prices.

March ? 49. Answer of Sir Robt. Mansell, addressed to the Council, on the several petitions of the Company of Glaziers, showing that the scarcity of glass is not through any fault of his; that he has incurred great expense to improve its quality; that its high price is caused by rise in the price of coals, &c., and still is lower than before his patent.

March ? 50. Exceptions by the Glaziers to Sir Robt. Mansell's allegations concerning the increase of price in the materials for manufacture of glass, and request that it may be reduced to the price paid six months before.

March 29. 51. Report of four Glaziers, that Sir Robt. Mansell's glass is for the most part found serviceable, but some is bad.

March 29 ? 52. Memorandum that, on an order to the Glaziers' Company to examine Sir Robt. Mansell's glass, some of it was tested, and most found unserviceable.

March 29. 53. Certificate by Inigo Jones and Thos. Baldwin, Officers of the Works, that Sir Robt. Mansell's glass is mixed good and bad together, and is very thin in the middle.

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March 29. Westminster. Grant to John Gray, and to Ambrose Evans at his nomination, of lands, &c. in Islington and St. Sepulchre's, London, and also in cos. Norfolk, Hants, Denbigh, Flint, Northampton, Bucks, Cumberland, Gloucester, Rutland, Kent, Middlesex, Salop, Hereford, Montgomery, Worcester, York, Northumberland, Lincoln, Radnor, Bedford, Cambridge, Leicester, Sussex, and Devon, total value 31*l.* 18*s.* 11*d.* per ann., in part of a grant to him of concealed lands, value 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, with certain provisoes. Latin. [*Sign Man.*, *vol.* XI., *No.* 47.]

March 30. Special commission to Sir Hen. Yelverton to compound with all persons for a confirmation of their ancient fairs and markets, and also for grants of new fairs and markets. [*Grant Bk., p.* 291.]

March 30. Fleet Prison. 54. Peter Wybo to Sinior Raytinck, Preacher, and the rest of the Commissioners for General Causes. Statement of his debts, and of the compromise which he offers to gain his freedom.

March? 55. Considerations upon the report of the Attorney and Solicitor General, on the project [of Jeffry Duppa and Thos. Stanley,] for appointing brewers in every town, objecting to their articles and proposing others. [*See Feb.* 9.]

March? 56. Petition of the poor ministers of Norwich to the Council, to renew their order that the English householders shall pay 20*d.* per pound on their house rents, for support of their ministers, as is paid by the strangers there residing.

March? 57. Petition of the Drapers of Shrewsbury to the Council, complaining that the Company of French Merchants do not buy the Welch cottons, which they are ordered to sell at Blackwell Hall, and are not allowed to transport themselves; request that they be called on to show cause why they cease to purchase, or else to buy them in future, to prevent the ruin of the trade.

March? 58. J. L. [Dr. John Lambe] to [Thos. Palmer?] Commits to him the management of a certain trust imposed on him by the Bishop of the diocese. Desires to meet him at Northampton on April 25. On the fly leaf prefixed, is a list of names, indorsed "Commissioners for Bohemia. Northampton."

April 1. London. 59. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. Details of the tilting match; the Prince's handsome display and gallant running; the French Ambassador was absent, because he was not allowed the preference of place over the Spanish Ambassador. Account of the King's visit in state to St. Paul's. The Bp. of London preached from Psalm cii. ver. 13, 14, the text being chosen by His Majesty; the Bishop urged the repairs of St. Paul's, and the King said after that he would fast on bread and water, but it should be done. The Prince rode bare-headed before the King, but many of the train stayed behind on disputes for precedency, the Knight's Councillors being unwilling to follow Earls' sons, as decided by the Earl Marshal's Commissioners. Mr. Greames, Gentleman of the Horse to Buckingham, and Sir Wm. Fielding's brother, Esquire of the Stable, have lost

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their places for fighting a duel. The Lord Mayor about to raise money for the King of Bohemia; the nobles and clergy are contributing.

April 3. Dover Castle. 60. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Lord Zouch]. Will send up the tobacco when adjudged forfeited, and his Lordship can either keep it or bestow it on Mr. Porter. Hugessen has hindered the sale of his lordship's pinnace by pretending to have bought it; he offers only 160*l.*, and it is worth 200*l.* Has bound over the Farmers' agents to bring all informations on prohibited exports into his Lordship's court, but they, as well as the Mayor Mr. Garrett, and Hugessen, are implicated therein, and fear detection if they prosecute rigorously. Sundry business matters. Has got a spy through whom to discover the poachers, some of whom catch 100 hares in a night; thinks they should be imprisoned. Forwards the examination of a recusant who was sent to him by the Mayor of Folkestone, Mr. Philpot. *Incloses,*

60. 1. *Examination of Ant. Lynch, of Galway, Ireland. Went to Rouen on his way to England, but conversed with no Jesuits nor priests; does not understand the Oath of Allegiance, and therefore will not take it. Dover, April* 2.

April 3. 61. Thos. Godfrey to Nicholas. Complains that seven sheep, which he bought when they were seized from Stephen Browne, for his refusal to pay the poor rate, were taken from him by Browne. Requests that he may be brought before Lord Zouch for trespass, and for former ill dealings in export of wool. These riots will not cease till the Judges' opinion on the poor rates has arrived.

April 5. Grant to Thos. and Eliz. Ellis, and Elizabeth their daughter, of the keeping of the gardens on the south side of Windsor Castle, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 317.]

April 5. Licence to Rich. Dike, &c. to make, seal, and issue gold and silver thread, for three years. [*Ibid., p.* 317.]

April 5. 62. Wm. Fortescue to Sir Edw. Conway. Begs a warrant at request of his tenants of Wheatly, for Fras. Taylor, who is guilty of disorderly conduct there, and for Woodward, keeper of the alehouse where he lodges, who refuses to eject him.

April 6. Plymouth. 63. Mayor of Plymouth to the Council. Cannot collect half of the required contribution against pirates, all but two of the inhabitants of Truro, the largest seaport in Cornwall, refusing to contribute, and their example being followed by others at Peran and elsewhere. Has advanced the whole 500*l.*, but begs that the parties refusing may be compelled to pay their proportions.

April 6. Dover Castle. 64. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Nicholas]. Wishes to come to London after the Chancery term. Sends a gin by which hares are caught in the warren, to be given to Lord Zouch, &c.

April 6. 65. Sir John Bentley to the Council. Sends fourteen letters taken from John Boardman, servant to the late John Browning, and

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messenger between England, Ireland, and Spain, whom he has committed to the gaol at Derby.

April 6. Eton. 66. Sir Hen. Savile to Carleton. There is an attempt to gain Wraysbury for John Levingston, as well as to exclude Carleton from Langley, in behalf of Sir John Kidderminster. *Incloses,*

66. 1. *The King to the College of Windsor. For John Levingston, of the Bedchamber, to be admitted tenant of Wraysbury in preference to any third person, if the present tenant, And. Windsor, be not continued.*

April [6 ?] 67. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Will not surrender without permission the goods which were saved from a Flemish pink cast away near Romney. Begs leave to kill a hare on Good Friday, as hustsmen say that those who have not a hare against Easter must eat a red herring.

April 7. Whitehall. 68. Order in Council for Capt. And. Westcote to receive a grant of 500 acres for the next plantation in Ireland, in consideration of his putting to flight Surley McDonnell, the pirate.

April [8 ?] 69, 70. Abstract of the Commission for the Repair of St. Paul's Cathedral, with a list of the Commissioners prefixed. Two copies.

April 8. 71. Edm. Kinsman to Luke Wilson, of Portland. Is troubled not to receive the stones expected. Urges him to prepare and send stone as fast as possible, it being much needed, especially as a commission is issued for the repair of St. Paul's Cathedral, which will require 20,000*l.* worth of stone.

April 8. Grant to Sir Thos. Puckering, Bart., of the wood called Cresset Coppice, co. Warwick, for twenty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 303.]

April 10. Dover Castle. 72. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord [Zouch]. Vessels have touched at Dover, carrying 1,400 or 2,000 troops to Dunkirk. Business matters. Two sons of the Earl of Mar have landed from Italy. Wishes to come to London, calling by the way on the Earl of Dorset.

April 10. 73. The Same to [Nicholas]. Sends the stag's horn, lately cast, to Lord Zouch. Hopes his remarks on Hugessen and others are not thought to proceed from malice.

April 10. Sandwich. 74. Mayors and Jurats of the Cinque Ports, &c. to Lord Zouch. Art. Ruck, of Sandwich, and Wm. Wymond, of Winchelsea, Bailiffs of the Cinque Ports at Great Yarmouth, complain of contempts committed on them by the Bailiffs of Yarmouth, tending to deprive them of their share in the government during the fair. Beg that his Lordship will either fix a day to hear the cause himself, or consent to their exhibiting a bill against them in the Star Chamber.

April 10. Sandwich. 75. Art. Ruck to Nicholas. Has informed the ports of the unkindnesses he and his partner experienced at Yarmouth, and of Nicholas' painstaking in their behalf. Begs that information may be

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sent to him at Yarmouth of the time when the case is to be heard. *Incloses,*

75. 1. *Mayors and Jurats of the Cinque Ports to the Same. On the same subject as their letter to Lord Zouch. Beg his influence to have a day appointed for their hearing. His pains about Cinque Port matters shall not be unrequited. Sandwich, April* 10.

April 10. Dover. 76. Wm. Ward, Mayor of Dover, to Lord Zouch. Has not dealt underhand in giving in false accounts of Brames' goods. Business matters.

April [10 ?] 77. Sir Jas. Wolveridge to the Same. Thanks for good tidings of the progress of the war in Bohemia; trusts that party will avenge the death of John Huss and Jerome of Prague, &c.

April 10. Grant to Sir John Wood of all fines and compositions for confirmations and grants of fairs and markets, without account. [*Grant Bk., p.* 306.]

April 13. London. 78. Warrant from the Commissioners of Sewers to the Clerk of the Sewers, to summon a general session at Huntingdon, to deliberate on the propositions and demands of the undertakers for draining the fens, which have received the King's approval.

April 14. Faversham. 79. John Philpot to Nicholas. Hopes his oyster suit may be laid before the Council, before Sir Albert Morton's month has expired, and that the Knight Marshal will influence some of the Lords beforehand.

April 15. 80. Objections by Sir Robt. Mansell and the other patentees of the glassworks, to the proposed grant to Sir Ralph and Dame Ann Bingley, for the manufacture of looking-glasses.

April 15. Commission to Geo. Archbp. of Canterbury and others, to inquire into the decays of St. Paul's Church. With note that this commission was renewed by a letter from Sec. Calvert. [*Grant Bk., p.* 293.]

April 17. Commission to Sir Wm. Paddy, Matt. Gwynn and others, to set down in writing directions as to garbling and distinguishing tobacco. [*Ibid., p.* 293.]

April 17. Dover Castle. 81. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Lord Zouch]. Details official matters. The Mayor abuses his place by selling licences under his own hand to French fishermen. The Irishman will take the Oath of Supremacy, but not that of Allegiance. Moyle Lambert, General of the States' ships, has sunk some Turkish men-of-war.

April 17. Dover Castle. 82. The Same to [Nicholas]. Begs a speedy answer from Lord Zouch to his request to come to London.

April 17. 83. Memorandum of a remonstrance with a Friar in Newgate, that some words against the King and Lords, in an apology which he intended to publish, were scandalous, advising him not to utter

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them, but to submit them first to the King, &c.; which he refused. Indorsed, "Mr. Cox."

April 20. Commission to Hen. Lord Clifford and others, to survey and build a bridge at Berwick. [*Grant Bk., p.* 293.]

April 21. Ridelsworth. 84. Sir Drew Drury to Lord Zouch. Levins, a contemptible wretch, who professes to have money owing him from his late father, has obtained a letter from the King to Lord Chief Justice Montague, to revoke an injunction against him. Beseeches his Lordship to testify to the worth and honesty of his late father, who protested on his deathbed that he owed Levins nothing.

April 23. Brightlingsea. 85. John King, Droit Gatherer for Lord [Zouch], to the Same. A year before, a fisherman tainted the oysters, by throwing a quantity of stale fish into the haven of Balfleet. Begs that he, and all who offer to dredge oysters at improper times, or who meddle with his Lordship's portion, may be punished.

April 24. Westminster. 86. Warrant to the keepers of several gaols specified, for delivery of Thos. Wilson, Wm. Brooke and his wife, Wm. Hobby, Art. Wilbeck, Hen. Parkinson, Hen. Price, Thos. Griffith, Luke Ford, and Robt. Drury, imprisoned for refusing to take the Oath of Allegiance, on condition of their leaving the kingdom within forty days. Granted at suit of the Spanish Ambassador's wife.

Sign Manual of the above, dated March 22, 1620. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 46.]

April 24. Theobalds. 87. Petition of Wm. Dyos, late Secretary and Remembrancer of London, to the King. The Lord Mayor and Aldermen refused to allow him to sell his place to an efficient person, and persuaded him to surrender it to them; after which they compelled him to accept 400*l.* less than he had paid for it. Prays for mediation of some of the Council in his cause. With reference thereon. *Incloses,*

87. I. *Statement of the complaints of the Same, against the Mayor, &c. of London, in reference to the above and other grievances.*

April 24. Release to Fras. Earl of Rutland from the office of Constable of Nottingham Castle. [*Grant Bk., p.* 304.]

April 24. Grant to Geo. Manners, Thos. Savage, and Ralph Hansby, of the office of Constable and Porter of Nottingham Castle, and of Steward and Guardian of Sherwood Forest, &c., co. Notts, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 302.]

April 25. Licence to Sir Giles Mompesson and others, to convert sea coal, stone coal, and other fuel, excepting wood, into charcoal. [*Ibid., p.* 302.]

April 25. Grant to Hugh Gerrard and others of the sole power to make charcoal. [*Ibid., p.* 319.]

April 26. 88. References to entries in the Council Books, relative to coin and bullion, and other Mint affairs, from Nov. 4, 1618.

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April 26. Winchester. 89. Justices of Hampshire to the Council. The reason of the cheapness of corn has chiefly been that so much was thrashed to provide fodder for the cattle during the hard winter. The prices are rising, and will soon be above the average. Request respite of the order to erect storehouses.

April 27. Warwick. 90. Justices of Peace of Warwickshire to Sir Hen. Hobart and Sir Edw. Bromley, Justices of Assize. The erection of a storehouse for corn will, under present circumstances, be a burden to the country, and is not necessary, the county growing but little, and the poor scarcely maintaining themselves at the present rates of corn.

April 27. Commission to Sir Hen. Mildmay to deliver into the Treasury certain plate named which is to be sold. [*Grant Bk., p.* 302.]

April 27. Commission to Geo. Archbp. of Canterbury and others, to sell the parcels of plate therein mentioned. [*Ibid, p.* 293.]

April 27. Commission to the Same, to survey indentures as to pretermitted customs, and to make such abatements as they think fit. [*Ibid., p.* 293.]

April 28. Grant to Jas. Cleyborne of the forfeitures of divers persons for buying corn, cattle, &c. contrary to statute. [*Ibid., p.* 338.]

April 28. 91. List by Dr. John Lambe of contributions in Rothwell Deanery, co. Northampton, to the aid for the King of Bohemia. Total 26*l.* 13*s.* 6*d.* With later memoranda of 16*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* additional.

April 29. London. 92. Chamberlain to Carleton. Is included in a Commission of sixty-six persons appointed for the repair of St. Paul's Cathedral. The Commissioners were invited to dine with the Lord Mayor, whose daughter is just married to Lord Effingham, though he is worn out in estate, credit, and years. The King is at Greenwich. At St. George's Feast, Buckingham slighted the Earl of Rutland; yet it is thought he must marry his daughter, as she is converted for his sake. The Lord Chamberlain's son is christened Henry, but is so physicked that he has little chance of life. Death of Alderman Bennet, brother of Sir John. The Lord Chief Justice married to Widow Hare. The King of Denmark said to have discovered the north-west passage by means of an English pilot. Much scheming to remove the Attorney General; he will not court the favourite.

April 29. Sandwich. 93. Commissioners for the Passage at Sandwich to Lord Zouch. Have seized certain dangerous Popish books, with crucifixes and pictures of saints, brought from abroad by Thos. Wrest, and have committed him to prison, though he took the Oath of Allegiance.

April 29. Grant to Rich. Jones of the office of keeping the Original Seal in cos. Denbigh and Montgomery, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 329.]

April. 94. Notes of injuries on Sir Robt. Kemp and others, committed in quarrels at horse-races, by men of Ipswich, &c.

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April. 95. Note of moneys hitherto paid to Sir Lionel Cranfield, in part of 20,000*l.*, for the funeral expenses of the late Queen; total 13,500*l.*

April. 96. Statement by Sir Wm. Ayloffe and Sir Ant. Thomas, Undertakers for Draining the Fens, that their intentions were, and still are, to drain, in three years, and at their own expense, all the fen lands in cos. Northampton, Huntingdon, Cambridge, Isle of Ely, Suffolk, Norfolk, and Lincoln, excepting such pools and meres as lie below the sea level; to re-open the rivers Nen and Welland, now filled up, &c., and to keep all the said lands well drained, on condition of the grant of their demands, as stated, being a proportion varying from one half to one eighth part of the several plots of lands specified, which are to be drained.

April? 97. Petition of Sir Fras. Crane to the King, for reference to the Commissioners for the Earl Marshalship, of the cause between him and Sir Sam. Tryon, who promised to pay 2,100*l.*, owed as his wife's portion, on his procuring him to be made a Baronet, like Sir Nich. Bacon, but evades performance because of some necessary difference between his patent and that of Sir Nicholas. [*See* 15 *April*, 1621.]

April. 98. Archbp. of Spalato to the Same. His deanery of Windsor would have made him most fortunate, because the two rectories of Langley and Wraysbury, both belonging thereto, were nearly falling in, one of which he had promised to Sir Dudley Carleton, to whom he owes almost life, the other to a friend who always offers him a country home; was frustrated of his first hope by His Majesty's letter, requiring Langley for Sir John Kidderminster, and now receives letters to bestow Wraysbury on another servant of the King. Earnestly entreats that his latter grant may be left to himself. Latin.

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April. 1—24. Rolls of View of Frankpledge and Court Baron of Sir Robt. Offley, Lord of the Manor of Dalby-Chalcombe, co. Leicester, help from June 1603 to April 1620. Twenty-four documents.

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May 1. Pevensey. 1. Bailiffs and Jurats of Pevensey to Lord Zouch. Can do Mr. Cooll no good in the suit between him and Mr. Acheson, as to the tithes, &c. of Pevensey parish, the case being decided against him in the Bishop's Court and the Arches' Court. He has now transferred his right in Pevensey Parsonage to Alex. Butcher and his daughter. [*See Feb.* 15.]

May 1. Dover. 2. Jas. Hugessen, jun., to the Same. Never said, as reported, that he had bought his Lordship's pinnace, but is willing to give 160*l.*

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for it, which is 10*l.* more than it is worth, or to send it a voyage to Newcastle on his Lordship's account.

May 1. Special commission to Visct. Mandeville and others, to despatch and put under the Great Seal all such things as have been used to be passed. [*Grant Bk., p.* 338.]

May 1. Special commission to Sir Julius Cæsar to hear causes in Chancery. [*Ibid., p.* 338.]

May 3. Grant to Roger Fielding of all the goods, &c. of Sam. and John Wilmer, felons. [*Ibid., No.* 319.]

May 3. Grant to Sir Geo. Calvert of the increased custom on silk, for twenty-one years. [*Ibid., p.* 315.]

May 4. Arwanack. 3. Sir John Killigrew to Carleton. Sends certificates of the ships wrecked off the Lizard, but they are very imperfect, because generally all the crews are lost, and the vessels broken into small pieces; valuable spoils have been cast ashore on his own land near the Lizard, to which he has a right by custom. Most of the houses about the Lizard are built with ruined ships. Had put out the light, but will venture 50*l.* worth more of coals, in hopes of a composition with the Hollanders.

May 4. Peterborough. 4. Bp. of Peterborough to Dr. Lambe, his Chancellor. Has received 31*l.* of the contribution money, but desires the names of the contributors, which are to be sent up with the money. Wishes those who are backward to be sent to him, that he may converse with them.

May 4. 5. Release, by Sir John Packington and Dorothy his wife, to Sir Edw. Conway and Catherine his wife, formerly wife of Rich. Fust, of 100*l.*, due to them by Fust at his death.

May 5. Proclamation against making starch. [*Grant Bk., p.* 333.]

May 7. Whorlton. 6. J. Morley to Fras. Nichols. Has settled affairs in the Prince's honour at Knaresborough. Hen. Webster, of Arkendale, is the only person who has died and left an heir a ward during the last two years. Knows not the tenure by which the lands are held, but if a commission be issued about it, will do what service he can.

May 8. Littlecot. 7. Sir Fras. Popham to the Earl of Pembroke. A quarrel arose at Bath between Sir Fras. Seymour and John Savage, of Worcestershire, and they are going into the Low Countries to fight a duel.

May 8. 8. Certificate, by Edw. Forsett, that Sir Lewis Dives has taken the Oath of Allegiance.

May ? 9. Statement of the vexations and expenses inflicted upon recusants, by informers, pursuivants, and under-officers of the Crown, showing that the advantage derived by the King from their fines is very disproportionate to the loss suffered by them, and proposing a commission to treat with them for redeeming themselves from penal laws. [*See May* 14.]

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May 10. 10. Names of Commissioners and abstract of a [proposed] Commission for treating with recusants. The reasons of the Commission are, the loss incurred by the King and by recusants through false dealings with them. Powers entrusted to the Commissioners. *Annexing,*

10. I. *Abstract of the penal laws passed against recusants, since* 1 *Eliz.*

May 10. 11. Certificate by Lady Lambert, Sir Ralph Sidley and his wife, John Paulet and his wife, and Geo. Malby, that they consent to refer their cause to the Lord Chancellor, the Lord Chamberlain, and Lord Digby, severally chosen by the parties.

May 10. 12. Certificate, by Caleb Morley, that he will submit to the award of the Archbp. of Canterbury, in the cause between the Earl of Castlehaven and himself, touching the parsonage of Stalbridge.

[May 10.] 13. Deputy Lieutenants of Hertfordshire, to the Council. Certify the reasons why the trade of the new drapery was not established in the county, which are, that the gentry refused to contribute to provide a stock; that it has been tried for two years in eight towns, where the stock was provided from the poor rates, but it fails, the profits of the work not finding support for the workmen. Cannot call on the county to pay the charges of the projector, the project being a burden from which they wish to be free.

May 10. Grant to Alex. Stevenson of the money, goods, &c. of Wm. Price, felon. [*Grant Bk., p.* 305.]

May 11. 14. Examination of Friar John Harding. Came over with letters patent from his General to the Spanish agent, Padre Maestro, but dared not bring them on shore. Landed at Dartmouth, and was discovered to be a friar by a Spaniard, Luis de Venegas, calling him Padre. Brought no letters except one from Venegas to Mr. Cornwallis. Has been a year in the Gatehouse. Padre Maestro sent him money, and promised that he should want nothing if he remained constant.

May 11. 15. Copy of the above, with variations.

May ? 16. John Rogers, Vicar of Chalcomb, to [Dr. Lambe] Chancellor [of the diocese of Peterborough]. His name is not in the process for the Bohemian collection, his vicarage being under 14*l.* a year, but will give something if the Bishop desires it.

May ? Thenford. 17. Wm. Osborne, Parson of Thenford, to Dr. Lambe. Begs to be excused contributing for Bohemia, on account of his poverty.

May ? 18. Thos. Palmer to [the Same]. Sends the answers of the ministers to whom he has applied for the Bohemian loan.

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May 11. Peterborough. 19. Bishop of Peterborough to [Dr. Lambe]. Requests him to advance 100*l.* for him to the Archbp. of Canterbury, towards the contribution for Bohemia. The Clergy of the diocese are slow in giving; hopes he will urge on those of the West division.

May 11. 20. Justices of Peace of Wiltshire to the Council. The weavers, spinners, &c. complain of great distress for want of work; have appealed to the clothiers, who say they cannot sell their cloth, though it is cheaper than formerly; many thousands are out of employment.

May 12. Gardener's Lane. 21. Rowland Woodward to [Fras. Windebank]. Fears from Sir Hen. Wotton's inconstancy that he will do nothing for him. News from Germany and France. The Spanish match is concluded. Lord Digby has free admission to the Prince, and is to be of his Council. Lady Lake refuses to make her submission, saying she was neither guilty of the forgery nor of Sara Swarton's perjury; she is sent back to the Tower. Private affairs.

May 12. London. 22. Sir Hen. Savile to Carleton. Langley is passed to Sir John Kidderminster for 200*l.* increased rent. Mr. Levingston, hearing of Carleton's pretensions, has given up his suit for Wraysbury.

May 12. Lambeth. 23. Archbp. of Canterbury and Lord [Zouch] to the Mayor of Canterbury. John Finch complains to the Council of injury by his removal from the office of Recorder; desire his re-instatement, if it can be done without wronging others.

May ? 24. Petition of Amy Lady Blount to the King. Was ignorant that her punishment proceeded from His Majesty; thought it was only from the Council. Acknowledges its justice, and entreats pardon.

May 12. Star Chamber. 25. Order in Council approving of the submissive terms of Lady Blount's petition to the King, as far as regards His Majesty and the Board, but commanding her to petition no more, till she has acknowledged her offence against the Lord Chancellor.

May ? 26. Petition of Amy Lady Blount to the Council. That the charge against her of scandalizing the Lord Chancellor may either be withdrawn, or the grounds of it stated, in order that the proceedings against her "may carrye at least a shewe of justice."

May? 27. Petition of the Same to the Same, for liberty, or for some course to acquit or convict her of the crime wherewith she is charged, as her health suffers by long and rigid restraint.

May 13. Colchester. 28. Bailiffs of Colchester to the Same. Requested Edw. Wilchen and Jas. Barwick, weavers of Colchester, who intended to petition Council against grievances and fines imposed by the English Company there, first to submit their wrongs to themselves for redress. Have examined both parties, and find there is no ground for com-

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plaint, the English Company only preventing abuses in weaving which would hinder trade.

May 13. Trinity House, Ratcliffe. 29. Certificate of the Masters of the Trinity House, describing the bounds of the Mediterranean or Levant Sea, and declaring that Malaga lies twenty leagues within that sea, and that the Malaga wines are rolled into the Levant Sea to be shipped.

May 13. Commission to the Lord Chancellor, &c. to reform abuses of informers. [*Grant Bk., p.* 315.]

May 13. 30. Abstract of a Commission granted to the Lord Chancellor and others, to inquire what compositions have been paid on informations against recusants, what vexatious abuses, &c. have been committed against them by informers, pursuivants, &c., and what bribes taken for their discharge, during the past seven years, and to take order for punishment of the offenders.

May 14. 31, 32. Abstract of a Commission to the same Commissioners, to lease lands of recusants, or make composition for their goods, with provisoes that they shall be no further molested by informers thereon; also to compound with the husbands of married recusants; with those whose fines, &c. are in arrear; those who are willing to take the Oath of Allegiance; those who employ recusant servants or tutors, &c. Two copies.

May 14. Special commission to the Lord Chancellor, the Duke of Lenox, &c., to demise and let to farm recusants' lands. [*Grant Bk., p.* 315.]

May 14. Special commission to Sir John Kaye, to sell unserviceable munition remaining in the Tower. [*Ibid., p.* 338.]

May 14. 33. Note, that Lord North never suspected his brother's journey, and therefore laid no restraint on him, and cannot tell whence he had supplies.

May 15. Greenwich. Proclamation of the King's disavowal of the proceedings of Capt. Roger North and his fellow adventurers, who, contrary to command, have secretly embarked for the intended plantation near the River Amazons, commanding their immediate return and surrender, or their seizure by any vessels that may meet with them. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 80.]

May 15. Northampton. 34. Rich. Stockwell to [Dr. Lambe]. Sends up certain moneys, among which is 62*l.* 4*s.*, collected for the King of Bohemia. Parish affairs.

May 16. Grant, in reversion, to Jas. Visct. Doncaster, of the office of keeping Nonsuch House, and the gardens and parks there, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 317.]

May 16. Faversham. 35. Mayor of Faversham to Lord Zouch. Has imprisoned John Trowte, but he utterly denies having received the 66*l.*, and begs release on bail, in order to go to London and answer for himself

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before his Lordship. Abraham Hunt also declares there was no money in the trunk when it was taken up. *Incloses,*

35. 1. *Petition of John Trowte, of Faversham, to the Same, for release on bail, being imprisoned on suspicion of having taken money from a trunk belonging to Sir Thos. Wynn. The trunk was brought to him, but there was no money in it.*

May 17. Whitehall. 36. The Council to Lord Zouch. To order the merchants of the Cinque Ports to pay their contribution for the second year, towards fitting out the expedition against pirates, which the King has resolved to set forth this summer season.

May 17 Licence to Sir Rich. Wigmore, to buy and import cod, and to sell it, for twenty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 307.]

May 17. Grant to Sir John Catcher, Abm. Cartwright, and Wm. Cockayne, of the sole power to transport and dispose of tin, in cos. Devon and Cornwall, for seven years. [*Ibid., p.* 338.]

May 18. 37. List of contributions from thirty-two parishes in Leicestershire, for the King of Bohemia, with names of the collectors, and receipt by the Bp. of Lincoln of the total sum, 46*l.* 11*s.* 1*d.*

May 18. Special Commission to Sir John Savile, &c., to inquire after the death of Wm. Ireland. [*Grant Bk., p.* 287.]

May 19. Declaration by the King of his will to cease the payment of an annuity of 100*l.*, formerly granted to And. Knox during pleasure. [*Ibid., p.* 304.]

May 19. Canterbury. 38. Mayor, &c. of Canterbury to the Archbp. of Canterbury and Lord Zouch. Request that they may not be compelled to re-elect John Finch as their Recorder, as it would be against their consciences and their charter, and greatly to the disquiet of the city.

May 19. 39. The Earl of Exeter to the Council. The late Sir Edm. Trafford left his chief property to Sir Cecil Trafford, his youngest son, and his [Exeter's] grandchild, though he had three sons by a former wife. Fears the machinations of the elder brothers against Sir Cecil, and begs that they may be ordered to abstain from violence, and that a competent guard may be placed in the chief mansion house.

May 19. 40. Memorandum of the promise of the Justices of Warwickshire to write to "his Lordship" concerning the magazine for corn; also that the letter from Rutlandshire is wanting.

May 20. 41. Petition of Rich. Marsh to Lord Zouch, for leave to exhibit a bill in Chancery against Emanuel Alley, who defrauded him touching their joint purchase of the Clerkship of Dover Castle.

May? 42. Draft obligation by which Thos. Phelippes, of Kirby Misperton, engages to repay, by extent upon his lands or otherwise, certain sums advanced on recognizance, for the behoof of Mary his wife.

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May ? 43. Account of the fraudulent proceedings of Sir Jas. Creichton, Geo. Shires, and others, in attempting to gain unfair possession of the manor of Kirby Misperton, belonging to Thos. Phelippes, but extended for his debts to the Crown.

May ? 44. Another similar account.

May ? 45, 46. Exceptions against Mr. Thelwall's report, in the cause Thos. and Mary Phelippes v. Robt. Heath and Geo. Shires. Two papers.

May 20. 47. Deposition of Jas. Evans in the case of Thos. and Mary Phelippes v. Robt. Heath and Geo. Shires, that he being a servant of the plaintiffs, a writ of ejection was served on him without due notice by the defendants, to recover the manor of Kirby Misperton, in spite of the stay of all proceedings therein, by order of the Lord Chancellor, Dec. 1618.

May ? 48. Treaty between Thos. Phelippes, Sir Jas. Creichton, and Robt. Heath, relative to engaging the fee simple of Kirby Misperton, for the repayment of moneys advanced to Phelippes.

May ? 49. Copy of the above.

May 22. Westminster. 50. Rowland Woodward to [Fras. Windebank]. [Sir H. Wotton] is at Court, waiting his despatch on four embassies, viz., to the Emperor, the King of Bohemia, the Princes of the Union, and Venice. The Princes of the Union have written to say they must make peace with the Emperor, unless the King will declare for them. The States offer to continue peace with Spain on certain conditions. Sir Thos. Lake has kissed the King's hand, and the Spanish Ambassador tries to have him restored to the Council table, that he may be a more ready instrument. Lord North's house and papers have been examined, and he is sent to the Fleet. A letter was found from him advising his brother not to write to him till he is landed where he means to go. Reports that the Hollanders, before the agreement became known, picked up five of our East Indian ships of great value; if restitution be not made, the loss will much affect the East India Company, &c.

May 22. St. John's. 51. Sir Fras. Lovell to Sir Robt. Naunton. Has attended the King with the rest of the Amazon Company, who have promised to give in their resignation as required; being a recusant convict, cannot repair to Court, under penalty of 100*l.*; requests a warrant antedated for his former appearance there, and another for a second attendance commanded by His Majesty.

May 24. 52. Sir John Bentley to the Council. Gives particulars of the failure of an attempt to arrest a messenger, who brought letters to Godfrey Poole, of Heighedge, Derbyshire, and to John Browning's wife, resident with Poole, who chiefly supports her and her husband. Violent conduct of Poole in resisting the arrest of Mrs. Browning; he pays the expences in prison of Boardman, who is a dangerous and bloody person. *Incloses,*

52. I. *Recognizance of Godfrey Poole in* 1,000*l.*, *for his appearance before Council on seven days' notice. April* 17.

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52. II. *Similar recognizance in* 500*l.*, *by Mary, wife of John Browning, of Heighedge, and Godfrey Poole, for the appearance of the former. April* 17.

May 25. Licence to Sir Hen. Savile to found two mathematical lectures, one of geometry and the other of astronomy, in the University of Oxford. [*Grant Bk., p.* 304.]

May 25. Confirmation of Sir Hen. Savile's orders for the foundation of the geometry and astronomy lectures at Oxford. [*Ibid., p.* 303.]

May 25. Grant of incorporation to the brewers of London, with divers privileges. [*Ibid., p.* 330.]

May 27. 53. Sir Hen. Yelverton and Sir Thos. Coventry to [the Council]. Report the alterations desirable in Lord Wotton's patent of fines on alienations in Wales, Cheshire, Lancashire, and Durham ; the present patent is questionable, because the whole of the alienations are let out to farm.

May 27. Theobalds. Proclamation that those who violate the charter granted to the Tobacco-pipe Makers, by manufacturing pipes when not of the society, and then violently resisting apprehension, or by countenancing or purchasing from such unlawful makers, shall be imprisoned and sued against in the Star Chamber. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 81.]

May 28. 54. Mayor, &c. of Canterbury to the Council. Are now willing to re-elect Mr. Finch as their Recorder, and crave pardon for discontenting their Lordships.

May 28. Theobalds. 55. Petition of John Pitts, the King's servant, to His Majesty, for the sole licence of exporting salt hides imported from Ireland and West Chester, after they are there tanned. With reference thereon.

May 28. Grant to Sir Fras. Moore and others, of the benefit of divers extents on the manors of East Ilsley, East and West Enborn, and Holt, the lands of Uriah Babington. [*Grant Bk., p.* 301.]

May 28. Grant to Sir Fras. Jones of the benefit of divers extents. [*Ibid., p.* 329.]

May 29. Commission to Sir Wm. Strode, &c. to inquire into the idiocy or folly of Wm. Jope. [*Ibid., p.* 287.]

May 29. Special commission to Lancelot Bp. of Winchester, to visit the hospital in Southwark, and find out abuses there committed by any of the officers. [*Ibid., p.* 338.]

May 29. Oxford. 56. Oration, in a Convocation at Oxford, by Rich. Gardiner, of Christchurch, Orator, on the King's presentation of his works to the University. Latin.

May 30. Weymouth and Melcombe-Regis. 57. Mayor of Weymouth and Melcombe-Regis to the Council. Cannot pay in the second instalment towards the expedition against pirates so soon as June, the first payment, for which the town was forced to borrow on its revenues, not being yet repaid. The merchants have lost 3,000*l.* at sea, since April 1619.

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May ? 58. Weavers of Bromham, Chippenham, Calne, and other places in Wiltshire, to the Council. Entreat for relief, being reduced to great distress by want of work; 12,000 are out of employment in Bromham only.

May ? 59. John Harding to [Sir Thos. Wilson]. Could not send earlier, being busy writing on some special controversies. Requests his exertions for his enlargement, of which he now has hopes.

May. 60. Sir Geo. Calvert to Sir Clement Edmondes. The persons nominated by Capt. Bell in the lead cause are to be summoned for Friday next.

May. 61. Book of deliveries, exportations, &c. of stores, from the Office of Ordnance, since the last survey in 1609, and also of stores returned into the ordnance during that time.

May ? 62. Petition of Thos. Biggs, Surgeon, to the Council. His profession not affording him maintenance, because of late times it is so much practised in the country by ladies and other gentlewomen, he planted an acre of tobacco, in ignorance of the late proclamation; but, finding himself liable to danger, has come up from Nottinghamshire to sue for pardon.

June 1. Brussels. 63. Tobie Matthew to [Carleton]. Fears Carleton's health is injured by the air of Holland. Mr. Gage has gone over to England, and was well received by the Archbp. of Canterbury, and particularly by Visct. Doncaster, who visited him at his lodgings.

June 1. 64. Memorandum, by the Bp. of Peterborough, of the receipt of acquittances for 100*l.*, as part of the collection made in his diocese for Bohemia.

June 1. 65. List of moneys received by Sir Rich. Morrison [for the Ordnance], since October, 1616.

June 3. Appointment of the Duke of Lenox, on surrender of the Lord Admiral, to the Lieutenancy of the county of Kent, except the Cinque Ports and the cities of Canterbury and Rochester. [*Docquet.*]

June 5. Grant to John Sparrow and others, of all concealed tithes, for ten years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 304.]

June 6. Grant to Nath. Maxey, on surrender of Matt. Clarke, of the office of Searcher in the port of Lynn. [*Docquet.*]

June 6. Warrant to pay to Sir Robt. Quarles, 26*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.*, for repairing the lodge in Leighton Walk, Waltham Forest. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Grant to Cuthbert Hill, of Garside, co. Lancaster, of pardon for manslaughter of Wm. Sharock in a sudden quarrel. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Grant to twenty-seven prisoners in Newgate of pardon. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Grant to Bridget, widow of Hugh Barebone, of the moiety of old debts due to the Crown, value 2,000*l.*, to be recovered by her. [*Docquet.*]

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June 7. Warrant for payment of 42*l.* 17*s.* 11½*d.*, disbursed by Fras. Cotton, Paymaster, for fortifications at Portsmouth in the late reign; also of 30*l.* to Geo. Baynard, late Under-Keeper of Hyde Park, for repairs; also of 50*l.* to Baptist Haswell, for charges of the French Ambassador, until lodgings were found for him. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Warrant to the Lord Treasurer and Lord Admiral, to order the woodwards in cos. Kent, Sussex, Hants, Berks, &c., to deliver certain marked trees for building and repairing ships, amounting to 1,260 loads of timber. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Warrant to pay to Robt. Treswell, Surveyor of Woods, 236*l.* 12*s.* 10*d.*, for repairs and building lodges in Waltham Forest, Nonsuch Park, and Ampthill. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Grant to Wm. Murkey, of the benefit of the recusancy of Sir Alex. Barlowe, of Barlow, co. Lancaster; John Sothworth, of Samlisbury; Ann Collehurst, of Edsforth; Edw. Singleton, sen., of Stopworth; Nich. and John Skillcorne, of Preesall; Adam Houghton, of the Leigh, co. Lancaster; John Pewteres, co. Hertford; Thos. Pudsey, co. Surrey; and Wm. Ward, of London. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Wimbledon. 66. The Earl of Exeter to the Council. Requests them to order the repayment of 102*l.* 17*s.*, which was in the hands of the late Sir Eusebius Andrew, Deputy Lieutenant of Northamptonshire, at the time of his death, being received by him to make provision of match, powder, &c. for the county.

[June 9.] Warrant to Sir Miles Fleetwood, Receiver General of the Court of Wards, to pay 4,000*l.* to the King's own hands, with allowance to him of 100*l.* for portage money. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 55.]

June 9. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet.*]

June 9. Grant to Robt. Stokes, of the benefit of the outlawry of Sir John Roades and Sir John Byrom, sen., after payment of sums due to their creditors, and with reserve of a tenth part to the King. [*Docquet.*]

June 9. Warrant to the customers of the port of Chester, to allow Lord Delvin to transport 300*l.* worth of gilt and silver plate to Ireland, for his own use, on his paying customs. [*Docquet.*]

June 10. Grant to Sir Robt. Deyall of a pension of 200*l.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

June 10. Warrant to pay to the Master of the Revels, 601*l.* due on his account for October 1617, and to advance to him 100*l.* [*Docquet.*]

June 10? 67. Thos. Alured to Buckingham. General interest in the Prince's marriage, and fear lest an alliance with Spain be an inlet to the Romish locust. Danger to Kings from Papists. Importance of the Prince's following his father's Protestant course. Gives examples of favourites of Kings, and exhorts Buckingham to use his influence well. Scripture comparisons of his position with that of Joseph and Eleazar. Miserable marriage of Henry of Navarre and Margaret of France.

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Unfortunate alliances of English Princes with Spain. Entreats him to oppose the Spanish match.

June. Copy of the above. [*Dom. Corresp. May* 1, 1621.]

June 11. Greenwich. 68. Capt. Edm. Lisle to Lord Zouch. Begs a place in his garrison of Dover for the bearer. Sir Horace Vere is going with 4,000 or 6,000 men to defend the Palatinate. The King of Bohemia is 50,000 strong, and the armies are in sight of each other. The Bp. of London very ill. The King is building a wall of nine miles round Theobalds Park, and also one round Greenwich; he has come to Whitehall to see his works.

June 12. Dover Castle. 69. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [the Same]. After much trouble, has obtained 117*l.* towards the platforms, but can get nothing for carriages and munitions. Sir Hen. Wotton wrote, at Greenwich, a sonnet on the Queen of Bohemia. Report that his Lordship is resigning his place to the Duke of Lenox.

June 12. Dover Castle. 70. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Nicholas]. To excuse him to Lord Zouch for not writing to him whilst in London.

June 12. Grant to Viset. Purbeck, of an annuity from the new impost of 2*s.* 2*d.* lately placed on currants, which is demised to the Earl of Arundel for thirty-one years, for 1,100*l.* [*Docquet.*]

June 12. Warrant to Sir Matthew Boynton, Sir Thos. Dawney, Sir Hen. Constable, and others, to take care of the game in the North and East Ridings of Yorkshire. [*Docquet.*]

June 12. Grant to Jeffrey Howsman, maimed in the late wars in Ireland, of an almsroom in Worcester. [*Docquet.*]

June 12. Grant to Isaac Laune, of pardon for forging false obligations. [*Docquet.*]

June 12. Warrant to Sir Wm. Gascoigne and his deputies, to preserve the King's game within four miles' compass of Richmond, co. York. [*Docquet.*]

June 13. Ticknall in Derbyshire. 71. Information of John Cross and others, given between May 22 and June 13, that Fras. Poker, of Ticknall, said that Popery would be re-established, for the Spanish match was completed, and the King had promised toleration of religion; also that he spoke disrespectfully of the King, and said the Papists would rise against him. *Annexing,*

71. I. *Examination of Jas. Hough, Constable of Ticknall. Poker, on being arrested, wished to be carried before Sir Thos. Burdett, rather than Sir John Harpur, and this being refused, sent his son, a boy of fourteen, in his place, and went away for ten days. June* 11.

June 13. Totness. 72. Mayor and others of Totness to the Council. Have not failed, as supposed, in the payment of 500*l.* assessed on them for suppressing pirates; paid in 250*l.* to their London agent, about Christmas, and have ordered discharge of the remainder.

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June 14. Aldermanbury. 73. Sir Rich. Younge to Lord Zouch. General Cecil was to have commanded the 4,000 men sent to defend the Palatinate; but now Sir Horace Vere is appointed, with Sir John Burlacy as his lieutenant, and the Earls of Oxford, Essex, Gerard, Grey, and others, as captains. Embassies preparing to mediate a peace for the King of Bohemia. Buckingham has resigned the lieutenancy of Kent to the Duke [of Lenox], and has hope of the Cinque Ports.

June 14. Gloucester. 74. Justices of Gloucestershire to the Council. [John] Oliver, a maimed soldier, was pressed out of the county of the city of Gloucester, not out of the shire, which is, therefore, not liable for his pension.

June 15. Weymouth. 75. Sir Geo. Trenchard, Sir Thos. Freke, and Art. Gregory, to the Same. Have been to Portland, and find that the refusal by Luke Wilson to allow Beare to lade away stones was necessary, the crane being out of order. Have examined Wilson's accounts, &c. Find that, with the King's stones, 120 tons were sent to Kinsman, who professes a right to all the waste. Have restrained all shipping of stones, except for His Majesty's works, and provided labourers and horses for sending a large supply. Money wanted for wages, &c. The pier will be washed away by winter storms, if not completed before. *Inclose,*

75. 1. *Certificate by Robt. Pitt, Constable, that Kinsman produced a warrant, signed by Inigo Jones and Thos. Baldwin, Surveyor and Comptroller of Works, authorizing the sale to him of all the waste of the King's stones.*

June 15. 76. Account of Rich. Lightfoot, Rector of Stoke-Bruerne, co. Northampton, of contributions from his parish for the Bohemian loan, with receipt of 10*l.* 16*s.*, the amount thereof, by Dr. John Lambe.

June 15? 77. Memorandum by Wm. Jones, Parson of Syresham, of his contribution of 20*s.* towards the benevolence for Bohemia. Hopes to be excused more, not being rich.

June 15. 78. List of contributions to the collection for Bohemia, by the clergy of different parishes in the diocese of Peterborough, with the names of many of the clergy; total 77*l.* 14*s.*

[June 15.] 79. Draft of the above. With note that the money was sent up on May 22.

June? 80—86. Seven papers of memoranda relative to payments for the Bohemian loan in the diocese of Peterborough.

June 15. Grant to Sir Robt. Dayall of an annual pension of 400*l.*, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 315.]

June 16. Grant to John Packington of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 16. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

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June 16. Warrant to pay to Fras. Buck and Wm. Styant 62*l.* 14*s.* 10*d.*, for reparations at Sandham Castle, co. Hants. [*Docquet.*]

June 16. Grant to the Vicar of Cheshunt and his successors of 21*l.* per ann., as compensation for diminution of his tithes, by enclosure of lands at Theobalds Park. [*Docquet*]

June 17. Bury. 87. Fulk Wallop to Dr. Lambe, Chancellor, of Peterborough. Begs that Mr. Middleton may be excused appearance before the Bishop, about the contribution to the King of Bohemia; the money shall be sent by St. James' tide.

June 17. Barnstaple. 88. Mayor of Barnstaple to the Council. Is unable to raise the second 250*l.* demanded for suppressing pirates, because, after the merchants and shipowners had raised the first 250*l.* by voluntary offers, their exports and imports from Exeter, Plymouth, and Dartmouth, were taxed towards the contributions of those towns; therefore they refuse to pay more.

June 17. Norwich. 89. Sir Thos. Hyrne and others to the Duke of Lenox, Lord Steward. Have investigated the cause between Augustine Sotherton and Wm. Paslew, Messenger, but could not as yet mediate between them, Sotherton living twenty miles off. *Inclose,*

89. I. *Examination of Susan, wife of Thos. Mawfrey, innkeeper, of Norwich. In March last, Wm. Paslew was in her house, when Augustine Sotherton came in, and being courteously accosted by Paslew, replied by calling him a knave, and striking him a severe blow on the head with his stiletto, which confined him to bed for a fortnight. Paslew has often lodged at her house, but never knew him drunk. June* 16.

89. II. *Examination of Thos. Westcott, of Norwich, servant to Thos. Mawfrey, to the same effect. June* 16.

89. III. *Examination of Thos. Rowde, of Norwich. Was called up by Mawfrey's servants to see Paslew, who was said to be killed; found him bleeding profusely, and so hurt that he was long disabled from following the business on which the Council had despatched him. Never knew him drunk. June* 16.

89. IV. *Examination of Hen. Paman, of Norwich. Paslew had an ague and the jaundice, in consequence of his blow, and could do nothing for weeks after. Never knew him drunk. June* 16.

89. V. *Examination of Wm. Boulter, of Norwich, to the same effect. June* 16.

June 17. 90. ——— to Sir Geo. Calvert. Is accused of granting protections, because he set up in the Compters the petition of Thos. Alport for treaty with his creditors, and the King's reference thereon to himself and others. Asks when the treaty is to be ended, and whether such publication in the Compters should be continued.

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June 19. Bristol. 91. Mayor of Bristol to the Council. The merchants and ship-owners have already paid 500*l.* as their first year's contribution against pirates, and are willing to levy 500*l.* for the second year, but cannot raise 1,250*l.* for each year, as required, that being much more than their due proportion. Two of them are coming up to excuse themselves.

June 19. Dover Castle. 92. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord [Zouch]. The master of a vessel which exported wools has confessed the fact, and the names of the merchants who sent the wools. The pilots of Deal complain of abuses in the Court of Lode-manage, managed by their Mayor. The Archduke will have 4,000 men in arms in Julich land. The Polanders will expel the Jesuits, depose their Jesuited King, and elect the King of Bohemia. Fifteen dozen gulls are taken, and six dozen saved for his Lordship. Has contracted for stone for the platforms with a quarry-man of Folkestone. Hopes his Lordship improves at the bath.

June 19. 93. Schedule drawn up by Sir John Higham and Jas. Smith, by Order of Council, of the brewers in the several hundreds in the franchise of Bury, co. Suffolk, fit to serve the innkeepers, alehouse keepers, and others. Total number, 30.

June 19. 94. Similar schedule by Geo. Brook and John Sherman, for the hundreds within the division of Ipswich. Total, 79.

June 19? 95. Similar schedule by Sir Hen. Glenham and Geo. Brooke, for the hundreds within the liberty of St. Etheldred. Total, 11.

June 19. 96. Petition of Hen. Sanderson to the Lords Commissioners of the Treasury, for payment of 170*l.* 15*s.* 10*d.*, due to him for service and arrears of fees, which Mr. Glover, who was ordered to make payment, says should be discharged by the Receiver of Yorkshire.

June 19. Warrant to pay to Robt. Barker 1,547*l.* 3*s.* 10*d.*, to be spent in repairs about Windsor Castle. [*Docquet.*]

June 19. Warrant for payment of 38*l.* to persons appointed to take charge of the repair and erection of bridges and standings, in the Forest of Braydon, co. Wilts. [*Docquet.*]

June 19. Grant to Rich. Corbett of the Deanery of Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

June 19. Licence for the Countess of Arundel to go beyond sea. [*Docquet*]

June 19. Safe conduct for the Same. [*Docquet.*]

June 19. Grant to Sir Rich. Weston of an annuity of 500*l.* per ann., from the pretermitted customs. [*Docquet.*]

June 19. Grant to John Thornton and his assigns, of the next presentation to the Church of Berghby, co. Lincoln. [*Docquet.*]

June 19. Grant to Visct. Wallingford of a pension of 2,000 marks per ann., out of the rents and profits of the post fines now on lease to him, at a rent of 2,272*l.* 8*s.* [*Docquet.*]

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June 20. Plymouth. 97. Mayor of Plymouth to the Council. Cannot send in the second instalment towards the contribution for suppressing pirates, because Truro, one of the wealthiest ports in the west of England, and far abler than Plymouth, has only sent 10*l.* instead of 300*l.* Neighbouring places follow the example, and send little or nothing. Is already 200*l.* in advance for the first contribution. Begs that either the refusers may be compelled to pay, or Cornwall held responsible for the second payment, Plymouth and its ports paying the first. Only 100*l.* is raised as yet by Cornwall.

June 20. 98. Petition of Stephen Browne, of Lydd, to Lord Zouch. Having opposed a tax, levied by the acre on the inhabitants' lands, for relief of the poor, by Thos. Godfrey, Bailiff, and reclaimed his cattle, which were seized for non-payment of the tax, Godfrey sues him at law, and threatens to undo him. Begs protection, and mediation of the quarrel.

June 20. 99. ——— Edmondes to his son, Charles. Thinks his desire to travel needless in his position. Commends to him, during his travels, content and temperance in diet, caution in speech, and reserve in disclosing himself to inquirers.

June 20 ? Lydd. 100. Thos. Godfrey to Lord Zouch. Requests to be discharged from the Bench of Magistrates. Has served the town forty years, but the inhabitants are ill-conducted and unthankful, and have preferred a false petition to his Lordship against him, for not paying a proper proportion of taxes. Thinks of removing from Lydd. *Incloses,*

100. *Statement of grievances in the town of Lydd, for which Thos. Godfrey seeks redress from Lord Zouch, viz., unfairness in the principle of taxation; abuses in disbursing the town money; embezzling the records, &c.; also request that the contribution against pirates may be levied by a land tax that would include many thousand acres, which, being without the parish, though in the liberties of the Cinque Ports, pay no taxes.*

June 21. Southwell. 101. Archbp. of York to the Council. Has written to the Bps. of Durham, Carlisle, and Chester, to rate the clergy for the musters, and will attend to it in his own diocese.

June 21. Grant to Robt. Bursey, alias Bussey, of pardon for stealing things of small value. [*Docquet.*]

June 21. Grant to John Yocksall of an almsroom in Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

June 21. Letter to the Dean and Fellows of Christ Church, Oxford, for Hen. Devick to retain his place there, notwithstanding a certain order of the House that no student worth 40*l.* per ann. in land should keep his place. [*Docquet.*]

June 21. Warrant for delivery of stuff to John Duncumbe for his livery. [*Docquet.*]

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June 21. Warrant to pay to Thos. Knyvet 363*l.* 2*s.*, disbursed by his late brother, Geo. Knyvet, in the service of the Prince. [*Docquet.*]

June 21. Grant to Robt. Glover, of certain forfeitures accruing to the Crown for illegal transportation of iron ordnance since 14 Jac. I., with power to compound with offenders in that kind. [*Docquet.*]

June 22. 102. Justices of Middlesex to the Council. The common brewhouses already in use are sufficient for the county, and are conveniently situated. *Inclose,*

102. I. *Schedule of the number and situation of the brewhouses already erected in Middlesex; total,* 73. *June* 22, 1620.

June 22. 103. Note of the distribution of 3*l.*, given by Lord Barry to the household [of the Archbp. of Canterbury].

June 24. Exeter. 104. Mayor of Exeter to the Council. Has appointed Geo. Turbervill, of London, to pay the 500*l.* contribution against pirates, but it will be nine months before the whole is raised. Requests letters mandatory to the ship-owners who refuse to pay their share. Has with difficulty induced the people to adopt the Winchester measure, according to proclamation; but the corn-sellers will not abate their price according to the measure. Asks redress, &c.

June 24. Grant to Robt. Ashton, of Lever, co. Lancaster, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 24. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 24. Grant to Sir Baptist Hicks of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 24. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 24. Letter to the Lord Mayor and Recorder of London, thanking them for their endeavours to make a friendly accord between Sir Thos. Steward, Jas. and Robt. Maxwell, and Thos. Warwick, interested in the charter for tobacco-pipe makers. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Lyme. 105. Mayor of Lyme-Regis to the Council. The first contribution against pirates is not yet fully collected, and the second 225*l.* can only be paid by borrowing it on interest on private bonds. Requests that the impost may be continued till all is paid, and that the merchants of Taunton, who threaten to remove their trade, may be compelled to contribute their share.

June 26. Dover. 106. Fras. Raworth to Nicholas. All the 100*l.* required from the [Cinque] Ports for suppressing pirates is paid in, except 16*l.* 10*s.* from Winchelsea. Dover has had to borrow its 30*l.*, and other ports their share, but they do it willingly for so noble a service.

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June 26. Southwark. 107. Sir Edm. Bowyer, Sir Thos. Grimes, and Sir Geo. Paul to the Council. Edw. Ashburner, who claimed a debt against Geo. Benton, which Benton declares is paid, failed to appear on summons, at the time appointed by them for mediation of the cause.

June 26. Letley. 108. The Earl of Hertford to the Same. At the musters of Somersetshire, Wiltshire, and the city of Bristol, the foot were complete; but there are a few defaulters in the horse. Sir Fras. Englefield, a large landowner, greatly hinders this service, by refusing his proportion, on pretence of being charged in other counties. Advises that he be dealt with.

June 26. 109. Petition of the Eastland Merchants to the King, to issue a proclamation forbidding the importation of the goods in which they deal in any but English ships, the Hollanders, by their cheap freights, having almost engrossed the trade, to the great damage of English commerce and shipping; with reasons in its favour, showing the dangerous consequences of the Hollanders' engrossing shipping, the export of coin caused by their bringing in Eastland goods and not taking English goods in exchange, the decay in the sale of English cloth in the Eastern ports, from 200,000*l.* to 70,000*l.* or 80,000*l.* per ann., &c. With reference thereon.

June 26. 110. Copy of the above.

June 26. 111. Copy of the above, with report by Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir John Wolstenholme, and others, referees, that the mischiefs complained of are true, scarcely one third of the cloth formerly exported to Norway, &c. being now exported; and that the Hollanders having 200 sail employed therein, by their cheap freights, and dealing for ready money and not for goods in exchange, are able to sell 20 per cent. cheaper than the English, and yet gain thereby. Recommend the granting of the proclamation requested.

June 27. Sequestration of Sir Hen. Yelverton from executing the office of Attorney General, during pleasure. [*Grant Bk., p.* 307.]

June 28. London. 112. Chamberlain to Carleton. The levies for Bohemia continue, but the recruits come in slowly, and there are great jealousies about the appointment of officers. Sir Hen. Wotton is gone, boasting that he does not owe a penny in England. Sir John Merrick has taken leave, and had a tablet given him with portraits of the King and his children. Dr. Corbett is Dean of Christchurch; and Gardiner, Orator of Oxford, will be the next Canon, for an oration on the present of the King's works, which was received with much ceremony, and solemnly placed in the library, at which His Majesty is the more pleased, because Cambridge received them without extraordinary respect. Sir Thos. Chamberlain succeeds Justice Croke in the King's Bench. The Attorney General is removed from his place till he clears himself of certain charges. He chose to submit to the King's mercy rather than to defend himself; but his submission was too general to be accepted. Large sums are offered for the place, which

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in this "golden age" will probably be accepted. Maxwell, a scribbler, who once wrote a parallel between the Howards and Stuarts, is sent to the Tower for some writing said to be in derogation of the King of Bohemia.

June 29. Brancepeth Castle. 113. Hen. Sanderson to Sir Robt. Naunton. Details of the trees cut down in Chopwell Forest for finishing Berwick Bridge, and of the neglect and misconduct of the Bailiff, in cutting down and selling wood for his own advantage. *Incloses,*

113. I. *Account, by Hen. Sanderson, of the remainder of the timber trees which have been cut down in Chopwell Woods.*

June 29. Greenwich. Proclamation prohibiting the growth of tobacco in England, or its future import by any but patentees appointed by the King. All tobacco now in store to be sealed by them before July 10. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 82.]

June 29. Grant to Sir Pat. Murray and others, of 6,828*l.*, rents from concealed lands. [*Grant Bk., p.* 301.]

June? 114. Notes of a letter to the Dean and Chapter of Durham, in favour of a grant of the lease of Fishlake Parsonage to Mr. Hepborne, the King's servant, to whom they took such a liking at His Majesty's last being at Durham.

June. 115. Classified account of the King's debts, as due on Lady Day, 1620; with a certificate of the principal moneys lent to His Majesty, of the amount repaid and still unpaid, of the interest due thereon, and of the anticipations on the revenue. Total, 711,026*l.* 1*s.* 7½*d.*, exclusive of sums, not certified, due to the public offices.

June? 116. Note of anticipations upon specified heads of revenue, for the years 18 & 19 Jac. I.

June? 117. Petition of Eliz. Grub, widow, to Lord Zouch, for his influence in Council on her behalf, touching rent due to her for the Glass House at Lambeth.

June? 118. Petition of the Merchant Adventurers to the King, for permission to remove from Middleburgh, the grievances long complained of being still unredressed, and the Secretary of Middleburgh, who was to be sent to give satisfaction therein, not having arrived.

June? 119. Petition of the Mayor and Commonalty of Plymouth to the Council, to be heard before their Lordships, on the impossibility of raising the further money required for the suppression of pirates, having already paid in a great sum.

June? 120. Certificate of the Justices of Hertfordshire of the number of common brewhouses now in that county. Total, 50.

June? 121. Certificate that Edm. Jeakell's shop, next the west gate of St. Paul's, was not pulled down when the King visited the church, but that not having time to decorate it, he was compelled to drive in the fore part of it.

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1620. [June.] 122. Answers of Robt. Heath, Esq., Recorder of London, to a charge of Sir Thos. Coventry, Solicitor General, exercising the office of Attorney General. Knew of the drawing up of a patent by Clement Moss, the City Solicitor, concerning the several companies and parishes of London, and acquainted Sir Hen. Yelverton that it contained some things not warranted by the King: Sir Henry promised to procure a further warrant, and afterwards professing to have obtained it, the patent was passed; did not connive with Sir Henry to pass it fraudulently or privily.

June? 123. Answers of Sir Wm. Cockayne, present Mayor, and Sir Sebastian Harvey, late Mayor of London, to the accusations against them by Sir Thos. Coventry, acting in place of the Attorney General. All their former ancient privileges were confirmed by the King, but, to avoid danger of claims on lands granted for superstitious uses, they wished another charter, securing this point and other privileges. The charter was prepared by their own solicitor, and submitted to the Attorney General. Were not aware that anything therein was granted without warrant, but throw themselves on the King's mercy to confirm such points as he thinks fit.

June? Grant to Visct. Wallingford, late Master of the Court of Wards and Liveries, of remission of all sums of money, fines, &c. received by him on account of Edm. Anderson, Edw. Lewkenor, and John Winter, the King's wards; also of a discharge of 400*l.* paid to Lady Roxburgh by the King's command, out of the fines of Art. Smith, a ward. Also warrant for payment to him of 500 marks, in part of his pension of 2,000 marks, granted on condition of surrender of his patent for the benefit of a ward every year. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 49.]

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July 1? 1. [Rowland Woodward to Fras. Windebank]. Sir Horace Vere is appointed General of the 4,000 soldiers for the Palatinate, by which Sir Edw. Cecil feels much disgraced. The young nobility so throng for officers' places that the experienced officers are thrown out. The King of Denmark accuses the Duke of Saxony of being an enemy to religion. Sir Robt. Mansell is going as Admiral, and Sir Rich. Hawkins as Vice Admiral of a Fleet of twenty ships, said to be for suppressing pirates.

July 1. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 200 marks to John Jacob, going beyond the seas on the King's special service. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 50.]

July 2. Westminster. Presentation of Stephen Haxby to the rectory of Ashover, co. Derby. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 51.]

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July 2. Hartford Bridge. 2. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Nicholas. Grieves at absence from him and his lord.

July 2. Lyme. 3. Art. Gregory, Mayor of Lyme-Regis, to the Council. The two collectors of the contribution for suppressing pirates have borrowed the 250*l.* for the second payment on their own security. Begs for their sake continuance of the impost, &c. as requested before. Urges payment of the arrears of his own annuity, granted for a whole life's service.

July 3. Westminster. Discharge to Edw. Osborne, of Keeton, co. York, of the fees paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 52.]

July 3. Westminster. Grant to Dr. Jas. Chambers of the office of Physician in Ordinary, void by decease of Dr. John Craig. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 53.]

July 3. Westminster. Re-grant to Jerome Alexander, on surrender of Fras. Morrice, of the office of Bailiff of the hundred of Eynesford, co. Norfolk, the former grant being defective. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 54.]

July 3 Westminster. Grant to Sam. Sharpe and Rich. Wilton, of London, of a patent for making camlets according to the Turkey manner, with provisoes of revocation, if found injurious, and of non-restraint of other camlet makers. [*Ibid., No.* 55.]

July 4. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Lord Stanhope, Postmaster General, 50*l.*, for extraordinary stages during the King's progress. [*Ibid., No.* 56.]

July 4. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Rich. Morrison, Lieutenant of the Ordnance, 280*l.* 15*s.*, for gilt javelins and halberts for the Yeomen of the Guard. [*Ibid., No.* 57.]

July 4. Oatlands. 4. Buckingham to Lord Digby, Sir Robt. Naunton, and others. Three ships still wanting for the expedition against pirates. The Trinity House is to levy 1,000*l.* yearly for furnishing and supplying them.

July 4. Whitehall. 5. Order in Council, on report by Sir Edw. Coke, of abuses crept into the management of the Tower, the Minories, and adjoining houses, formerly reserved for gunners, wheelwrights, and other artificers connected with the Ordnance; that certain leases of lands in and about the Tower be called in; that all private buildings there be demolished, the wharfs repaired, the loopholes and battlements put into order, and the gunpowder removed further from the records and Crown jewels.

July 4. 6. Copy of the above.

July 4. 7. Abstract of the above; with minutes from the Council books of seven letters from the Council to the Sheriffs of London and Middlesex since Dec. 31, 1618, directing the pulling down of buildings erected contrary to proclamation near the Tower, and elsewhere, in London.

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July 5. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Osborne, of Keeton, co. York, of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 58.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Michael Humfrey, and his sureties, of protection for one year from arrests for certain debts of the Earl of Suffolk, for which he is bound. [*Ibid., No.* 59.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Laurence Lisle, Daniel Thorne, and others, of the privilege of varnishing and repairing all the arms and armour in England and Wales, for twenty-one years, according to prices set down by Lord Sheffield. [*Ibid., No.* 60.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to John Harvey, Footman, of a pension of 50*l.* per ann., on resigning his place to Toby Johnson. [*Ibid., No.* 61.]

July 6. Westminster. Discharge to John Hanmer, of Hanmer, co. Flint, of 1,100*l.*, fees by him paid on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 62.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Hannibal Vivian, in reversion after Thos. Vivian, of the Constableship of Mawes, co. Cornwall, the reversion being surrendered by Giles Rawlins. [*Ibid., No.* 63.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to John Hanmer, of Hanmer, co. Flint, of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 64.]

July 7. Westminster. Grant to Clement Cotterell of the office of Groom-porter, void by death of Hen. Cornwallis. [*Ibid., No.* 65.]

July 7. 8. Examination of Fras. Poker, of Ticknall, Derbyshire. Jas. Brindley, a recusant, told him religion would alter, if the match went forward; did not say he expected to see mass in Ticknall Church; has suggested that there might be a Protestant Priest at one end, and a Papist at the other. Spoke disrespectfully of Sir John Harpur, but not of the King, unless it were in drink; and did not prophesy wars, and that the Irish would join against him. Brindley said, if the match failed, there would be war.

July 7. 9. Examination of Jas. Brindley, of Walton, Derbyshire. Has spoken of the match, but not of any toleration to ensue thereon, nor of wars if it fail. Is not a recusant.

[July 7.] 10. Master, &c. of the Trinity House to the Council. The masters and owners of ships agree to pay rates varying from 18*d.* to 3*d.* per ton, according to the places to which they trade, towards the contribution against pirates; desire a letter to the Custom House, that their Deputy may be allowed to collect the rates.

July 7. 11. The Council to the Farmers of the Customs in London. Require them to allow no vessel to pass without paying the above rates, and to appoint a place for the Deputy of the Warden and Assistants of the Trinity House, Deptford Strond, to collect them.

July 7. 12. Answers, by Sir Hen. Yelverton, to certain questions on points of law relating to leases of lands, in reference to leases made by Lord and Lady Hunsdon. Indorsed, "Sir Hen. Yelverton's Opinion on Mr. Tregion's Case."

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July 8. London. 13. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Ambassadors, Sir Hen. Wotton, Sir Edw. Conway, Sir Rich. Weston, and Sir John Merrick, despatched. The new levies proceed heavily. Sir Horace Vere goes with only 2,000 men. The Spanish Ambassador jests at our courage, to engage 10,000 men with 2,000. The King is about Oatlands and Windsor. Star Chamber prosecutions grow frequent, and proclamations and patents are numerous. The few monopolies complained of at the King's accession are multiplied by as many scores, and the people groan under them. Precedence granted to Earls' younger sons over Knights Councillors. The Attorney General is suspended, and a bill filed against him and the present and last Lord Mayor, for combining against the Crown in renewing the last City Charter. The Attorney confesses error, and the City yield up their charter, and offer to take it as before. Death of the Spanish heretic in Newgate; forty ducats found in his patched rags. The Earl of Southampton made Governor of the Virginia Company, and Sir Thos. Smythe re-established over the East India Company, by request of the King.

July 9. Yarmouth. 14. Bailiffs and Justices of Yarmouth to the Lord Chancellor and others of the Council. Testify to the diligent service of Nich. Cutting, their Bailiff, summoned before Council to answer for neglect of duty, in not aiding those who came down about starch-making.

July 9. Staple Inn. 15. Fras. Raworth, jun., to Edw. Nicholas. Sends 100*l.*, the second payment of the Cinque Ports towards the suppression of pirates; with instructions for paying it in, if required. The Ports have found the raising it very burdensome, and would be glad if it could be spared. Indorsed [by Nicholas] with a form of receipt for the above.

July 9. 16. Note of the distribution of 4*l.* to [Archbp. Abbot's] servants at the consecration of Dr. Tounson, Bp. of Salisbury.

[July 9.] 17. Petition of John Gibbens and others, Bakers of Bristol, to the Council, for protection in suits prosecuted against them, for execution of the patent of incorporation formerly granted but lately suspended.

July 9. Westminster. Licence to Wm. Lord Maynard, of Wicklow, to found a Logic Lecture in Cambridge, and to give lands in mortmain to the value of 50*l.* per ann. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* IX., *No.* 66.]

July 10. Westminster. Warrant for payment of sums not exceeding 430*l.* for rebuilding Chertsey Bridge, co. Surrey. [*Ibid., No.* 67.]

July 10. Westminster. Grant to Eleanor, widow of Thos. Felton, of confirmation and continuance of a pension of 100*l.* per ann. for the services of her late husband. [*Ibid., No.* 68.]

July 10. 18. List of Questions in Theology, Medicine, and Philosophy, to be discussed before the University of Oxford, July 8 and 10. Printed. Latin.

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[July 10.] 19. Petition of the East India Company to the Council, for punishment of Thos. Berwick, appointed by them Master of the Bear, who betrayed that ship and others to the Hollanders. *Annexing,*

19. I. *Statement of the conduct of Thos. Berwick, that meeting Sir Thos. Roe off the Cape, Sir Thomas gave him letters to English factors, and Houltman, the Dutch Commander, gave him letters to their people at Bantam, persuading a truce, on the ground that peace was negotiating in England; relying upon which Berwick acted as though all danger was over, and several vessels were taken in consequence. Grounds on which he is suspected of treachery, and of secret intelligence with the Dutch.*

July ? 20. Project offered to the King for remedying abuses in the dyeing of silk.

July 11. 21. Proceedings at a sitting of the Commissioners for redress of abuses in the deceitful dyeing of silk; the Commission being read, and the first step observed to be to find out the deceits, interrogatories were ordered to be drawn up, and the Lord Mayor, &c. of London to be acquainted with the commission, which chiefly concerns London.

July 11. Westminster. Proclamation of a grant, at the nomination of Edw. Sheldon, to Laurence Lisle, Dan. Thorne, and others, of the sole privilege of dressing arms, and repairing all manner of arms and armour, at the rates set down by Lord Sheffield for the county of York. All arms to be brought for view or repair yearly. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 82 *A.*]

July 11. Carey House. 22. Sir Hen. Carey to Lord Zouch. Wishes, as "servant to the glorious Peace-maker of Christendom," to recover his rights peaceably, and therefore requests restoration of certain wrecks at sea-seized by his Lordship's officer in his manor of Minster, Isle of Thanet, although in his purchase of the manor, royalties and wrecks at sea were included.

July 11. Westminster. Grant to Fras. Morris, Clerk of the Ordnance, and others, of lease of the manors of Long Owersby, and other lands of Sir Thos. Monson, co. Lincoln, extended for several obligations, amounting to 3,100*l.*, wherein he stood bound with Sir Roger Dallison. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 70.]

July. Minute of the above. [*Dom. Corresp., July* 20.]

July 11. Westminster. Grant to the Same, of lease of the rectory and manor of Laughton, and other lands, &c. of Sir Roger Dallison, co. Lincoln, extended for a debt of 9,962*l.* 4*s.* 10¼*d.* upon his account as Lieutenant of the Ordnance. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 72.]

July. Minute of the above. [*Dom. Corresp., July* 20.]

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July 11. Westminster. Grant to Jas. Harrison, of London, of pardon for clipping coin, on account of his youth. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 71.]

July 11. Special licence to John Donnington and others, to dress armour. [*Ibid., p.* 317.]

July 12. 23. Merchant Adventurers to [the Council]. Fear that the disturbances in Germany make it unfitting to attempt present removal of the foreign impediments to the cloth trade, but request the execution of those already devised, viz., restraint of export of wool, and moderation in its price; removal of prohibitions against import of gold and silver thread, and other foreign commodities; and stopping of the interlopers, who secretly send away cloth to the Netherlands.

July 12. Bath House. 24. Sir Fulk Greville to Sir Thos. Wilson. To deliver to Mr. Tweedy and his sureties his bonds for exercise of the receiver's place in the Alienation Office, which he has now relinquished, and to receive similar bonds from Mr. Bond.

July 12. Westminster. Discharge to Hen. Felton, of Playford, Suffolk, of 1,100*l.*, paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 73.]

July 12. Westminster. Confirmation to Visct. Wallingford of allowance from his farm of the post fines, for those of the Duchy of Cornwall, which are received to the use of Prince Charles, as was formerly granted for those of Prince Henry. [*Ibid., No.* 74.]

July 12. Westminster. Warrant to advance 400*l.* to Jas. Bovey, for provision of wines, fruits, and grapes, for the King's use. [*Ibid., No.* 75.]

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Dr. Robt. Tounson, Bp. of Salisbury, of restitution of temporalties. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 76.]

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Freer, of Water-Eaton, co. Oxford, of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 77.]

July 12. Westminster. Discharge to the Same of 1,095*l.*, paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 78.]

July 12. Westminster. Re-grant to Sir Geo. Keire of lease of a watermill and lands in Haddenham, co. Bucks, the former lease being forfeit for non-payment of rent. [*Ibid., No.* 79.]

July 12. Westminster. Discharge to Sir Thos. Bishop, of Parham, Sussex, of 1,100*l.*, paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 80.]

July 13. St. Albans. 25. Earl of Salisbury and other Justices of Hertfordshire to the Council. Request allowance for repair of the gaol of St. Albans, which, being Crown land, has always been repaired at the expense of the Crown. The decays arise through abuses of former gaolers in cutting away the lead, &c.

July 13. Clerkenwell. 26. Lord [Zouch] to [Sam.] More. Requests him to receive back a gelding, which Mr. Lougher seized, but is now willing to restore.

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July 13. Chapter House. 27. Order by the Commissioners for repairing St. Paul's Cathedral, that the tenants of certain houses on the south and north sides of the church, which are to be pulled down, keep all their rents till further orders, and meanwhile provide themselves other houses.

July 13. Westminster. Discharge to Moses Tryon, of London, on payment of 5,000*l.*, of the fine of 15,000*l.* imposed on him in the Star Chamber, for transporting coin; also grant to him of a general pardon, with certain exceptions. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XI., *No.* 81.]

July 14. Westminster. Grant to Hen. Felton, of Playford, co. Suffolk, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 82.]

July 14. Westminster. Grant to Sir Thos. Bishop, of Parham, co. Sussex, of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 83.]

July 14. 28. Petition of the Prisoners in the King's Bench, lately removed to Newgate, to Lord Chief Justice Montague. Being men of quality, and their credit much impaired by this removal, pray for leave to answer in person before the Court of King's Bench. With reply by Sir Hen. Montague, that their committal was by order of the Council, to whom they must appeal.

July? 29. Petition of the Same to the Council. They are removed from the King's Bench to Newgate, "a place of infamy and great distress;" and the information of Sir Geo. Reynall, on which they are committed, is unjust.

July [14?] 30. Robt. Boteler to Nicholas. Thanks for the Lord Warden's letter to the Corporation of Winchelsea to restore him to his franchise. They have not obeyed, but have replied by idle and frivolous objections against him. Has merited well of the town.

July [15]. Clerkenwell. 31. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Lord Zouch]. Is tediously detained by the humours of the officers of Exchequer and Ordnance, in his efforts to obtain supplies for Dover Castle. Has delivered up Whitmore by the Council's order. Defers the musters, most of the fishermen being gone to the North Seas. Sir Wm. Zouch is drowned in crossing the channel. *Incloses,*

31. 1. *The Council to the Same. To order the conveyance of Fras. Whitmore, prisoner at Dover, to the Marshalsea at Southwark. With order to Mr. Richardson, keeper there, to receive him into his custody. Whitehall, June* 30.

July 17. Dover Castle. 32. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord [Zouch]. Ned Kemp of Dover challenged Fotherby of Canterbury to go over to Gravelines to fight a duel. Official matters.

July 17. 33. Sir Sam. Tryon to the [Commissioners for the] Earl Marshalship. Begs to be heard before them, with his counsel, in the cause between Sir Fras. Crane and himself.

July 17. Theobalds. Proclamation confirming the former orders for non-erection of any buildings, except of brick or stone, in London, and extending them to five miles round London. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 83.]

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July 17. Westminster. Grant to John Reade, of West Heddon, co. Northumberland, of pardon for manslaughter, it being done in self-defence. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 2.]

July 17. Dover. 34. Fras. Raworth, sen., to Nicholas. Ordered his son not to pay in the second 100*l.* for the Cinque Ports, no other places having paid their second instalments. Hopes the money may be returned, as it has been raised with much difficulty.

July 18. Faversham. 35. John Philpot to the Same. Has made a composition between Sir Thos. Wynn and Mr. Trowte. Hopes the Lord Warden will rest a night at his house on his way to Dover.

July 18. Grant of Incorporation and divers Liberties to the City of Coventry. [*Grant Bk., p.* 337.]

July 18. Westminster. Grant, with survivorship, to John Achmouty, Groom of the Bedchamber, and Isabel, his wife, of a pension of 500*l.* per ann. for their lives, on surrender of a pension of 200*l.*, and all perquisites of office, by John Achmouty, and of a pension of 100*l.* by Jas. Achmouty. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 3.]

July 18. Westminster. Warrant to advance 20*l.* to Sir Oliver Cromwell, and to deliver to him twenty timber trees for building a new bridge for the King's use at Hinchinbrook, co. Huntingdon. [*Ibid., No.* 4.]

July 18. Westminster. Commission to Ant. Pell, Keeper of the Hawks, to take up hawks and hawks' meat at ancient prices, and to kill hawks' meat. [*Ibid., No.* 5.]

July 18. Westminster. Warrant to admit Robt. Dodson as Master Bricklayer and Tiler to the King, according to a former grant. [*Ibid., No.* 6.]

July 19. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Jas. Macdonald 500*l.*, as a free gift for service. [*Ibid., No.* 7.]

July 19. Grant to Sir Ant. Pell of 30*l.* per month, for his attendance with hawks, and also of 10*s.* per day for pigeons and hens for the hawks, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 332.]

July 19. Grant to Rich. Wilton of the sole making of camlets of grogram or other silks, for twenty-one years. [*Ibid., p.* 306.]

July 19. 36. [Justices of Sussex] to the Council. Have examined what common brewhouses are in existence in Sussex, and where additional ones may be erected. *Inclose,*

36. I. *Schedule of places in Sussex where brewhouses are fit to be erected or continued; total* 38. *July* 19.

[July 20.] 37. [Justices of Surrey] to the Same. Have examined where common brewhouses may be erected or continued in Surrey. *Inclose,*

37. I. *Schedule of places in Surrey where brewhouses are fit to be erected and continued; total* 51. *July* 20.

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July 20. Westminster. 38. Special Commission authorizing Sir Robt. Mansell, appointed Vice Admiral and Captain General of the expedition against pirates, to press sailors and to exercise martial law during the expedition.

July. Sign Manual of the above, dated July 6. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 1.]

July 20. Westminster. Grant to John Macalo, Physician to the King, of a pension of 100*l.* per ann. [*Ibid., No.* 9.]

July 20. Westminster. Grant to Ant. Blaides of lease of lands in Leak, and in Northallerton, co. York, which are in the King's hands, by reason of the recusancy of Cecily Eshall. [*Ibid., No.* 10.]

July 20. Westminster. Grant to Sir Jas. Macdonald, of a pension of 1,000 marks per ann. [*Ibid., No.* 11.]

July 20. Westminster. Warrant for allowance of fifty decayed trees to Sir Geo. Philpott, towards enclosing Romer's Coppice, Forest of Chute, co. Wilts, for preservation of the game. [*Ibid., No.* 12.]

July 20. Westminster. Grant to Alex. Macrenold, of a pension of 200 marks per ann. [*Ibid., No.* 13.]

July 20. 39. Minute of the grants of lands to Fras. Morris and others, calendared under July 11.

[July 21.] 40. Petition of Edw. Fludd, prisoner in the Fleet, to the Council, to be released, having been in prison four months longer than the time appointed as punishment for words spoken against Sir Fras. Eure.

July 21. Syon. 41. Visct. Doncaster to [Carleton]. Has not written earlier because their correspondence causes jealousy. Spanish agents prejudice His Majesty against the Dutch, as enemies of monarchy, and cruel to the English in the East Indies. The conjuncture is not favourable for Carleton's coming to England.

July 22. Fleet Prison. 42. Submission of Thos. Alured, prisoner in the Fleet, acknowledging his presumptuous offence against His Majesty, and beseeching the mediation of [the Council], that his forty days' imprisonment may expiate his offences. [*See June* 10.]

July 23. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Bernard Lindsay, Groom of the Bedchamber, 500*l.*, as a free gift. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 14.]

July 24. Westminster. Grant to Sir Fras. Vincent, of Stoke-d'Abernon, co. Surrey, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 15.]

July 24. Westminster. Discharge to the Same of 1,095*l.*, paid by him on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 16.]

July 24. Dover Castle. 43. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Lord Zouch]. Great opposition is made to Zouch's authority and his own, especially by his Lordship's favourites, the Mayor of Dover and James Hugessen. Fined the

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master of a vessel of theirs 5*l.*, for refusing to lower his flag to the castle. They threaten, if punished, to appeal to the Council. Business matters.

July 24. 44. Certificate of Dr. Valentine Carey, Master, and the Fellows of Christ Church, Cambridge, to the learning and good conduct of Ambrose Congham, ten years resident there. Latin.

July 24. Spain. 45. John Savell to his father, Robt. Savell, and others. Has grown and improved in health in Spain. Takes leave of his family and friends on becoming a Benedictine monk; hopes to meet them again in England.

[July 24.] 46. Narrative of extortions of Sir Geo. [Reynall], Marshal of the King's Bench, upon the prisoners, in charging exorbitant fees, and rates for provisions, &c. To prevent prisoners being supplied by their friends, he erected a barrier, and they rose against him and pulled it down.

July 24. Grant of incorporation to Wm. Reade, Hum. Kade, and others, as weavers, fullers, and sheermen, of the city and county of Exeter. [*Grant Bk., p.* 319.]

July 24. Letter from the King to Sec. Naunton, authorizing him, with the assistance of Mr. Solicitor and others of the Council, to alter the instructions of the President of York, according to those made for Lord Sheffield; authorizing him also to write to Sir Thos. Hoby to behave becomingly towards the President. [*Docquet.*]

July 24. Letter to the [Arch]bp. of York, to refrain from taking precedence of the President [of York], who is His Majesty's minister, and to remove his pew in the church, built before that of the President, or else to resign it to the President. [*Docquet.*]

July 25. Westminster. 47. Indenture between the King and the Dean and Chapter of Norwich, confirming the constitutions of the Cathedral, as founded by Edw. VI., and granting additional privileges. Latin.

July 25. Westminster. Commission to the Lord Mayor of London, the Master of the Wards, and others, to examine and discover the abuses in importing log-wood, contrary to proclamation and to Sir Thos. Compton's patent, and to punish offenders. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 17.]

July 26. Westminster. Grant to Sir Robt. Ayton of a pension of 500*l.* per ann., for services to the late Queen Consort. [*Ibid., No.* 18.]

July 27. London. 48. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King is at Salisbury, and goes to the Bp. of Winchester's, at Farnham; Sir Thos. Monson has kissed his hand, and also the Earl of Suffolk, whose fine is mitigated to 7,000*l.*, which is to be paid to appease Lord Haddington's discontent. Most of the Council have left town. Lord Digby has set out for Spain. Sir Wm. Smithe lately dead. Popish books, containing libels on Queen Elizabeth and her government, burnt in St. Paul's churchyard. Demolition of houses in the neighbourhood

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of St. Paul's; clamour of the inhabitants, who have no compensation. The Commissioners have to rate themselves at 20*l.* a piece, towards the expense of pulling them down.

July 27. Aldermanbury. 49. Sir Rich. Younge to Nicholas, to obtain a pass for his son-in-law Benj. Hayes, who is going to Paris with letters from the Lord Chamberlain to the Ambassador.

July 27. Charlton. Discharge to Robt. de la Bar, of London, on payment of 5,000*l.*, of a fine of 20,000*l.* imposed on him in the Star Chamber, for unlawful transporting of coin; with a general pardon for past offences. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 19.]

July 27. Westminster. Warrant for repayment in a year, with interest, of 5,000*l.*, lent by Sir Wm. Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, to the King; also for payment to him of 1,000*l.*, due on assignment to Rich. Bannister, and warrant to advance to him 4,000*l.* for payment of arrears of wages in the Navy. [*Ibid., No.* 20.]

July ? 50. Query as to whether a tax for the poor, levied on the inhabitants of a parish for their lands and goods in gross, and on thefarmers for their lands per acre, be lawful. [*See Nov.* 1619, *No.* 52.]

July 28. 51. Copy of the above, with opinions of Sir Robt. Houghton and Sir Ranulph Crew in favour of that mode of levying taxes. Indorsed [by Nicholas], "The question of taxing for the poor of Lydd, decided by the Judges of Assize."

July 28. Charlton. Proclamation against all suits or claims on tenant-rights, or holding of lands by border service, such tenant rights being now abolished by the Union of England and Scotland, and forbidding such claims to be mentioned in any future leases of Crown or other lands on the borders. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 84.]

July 29. 52. Examination of Simon Weston. Said, in his speech in the County Hall at Stafford, when urging the benevolence for Bohemia, that Henry III. and Henry IV. of France were murdered by Jesuits, and that there are some living who defend the Gunpowder Plot; also quoted the saying of a West Indian King, on being told that the Spaniards go to heaven, that he hoped when he died to go to hell; but did not say that the Bohemian Ambassador would not have collected money without the King's privity, nor that this contribution was the only means of preservation from the sword of the Spaniard.

July 30. Bromham. Warrant to advance 3,000*l.* to Sir Robt. Mansell, Admiral of the Fleet against the pirates, towards the charge of the service. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 21.]

July 30. Bromham. Warrant to raise the rate of poundage upon Muscovado sugars, &c., to the proportion paid before Nov. 27, 1614, since which time it was reduced. [*Ibid., No.* 22.]

July 30. Bromham. Licence to Fras. Hurdman and Wm. Budd, of London, of the sole importation of tobacco for one year. [*Ibid., No.* 23.]

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July 30. Bromham. Commission to the Commissioners for the Treasury, to conclude with Sir Thos. Roe, Abraham Jacob, and their partners, and with Fras. Hurdman and Wm. Budd, the agreements for rents and conditions for the importation of tobacco. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 25.]

July 30. Bromham. Discharge to Wm. Curteen, of London, of a fine of 20,000*l.*; imposed in the Star Chamber for unlawful transporting of coin; with a general pardon of past offences. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 26.]

July 30. Bromham. Warrant to pay 8,000*l.* to Robt. Pye, Auditor of the Exchequer, to be employed by him on the King's special service. [*Ibid., No.* 27.]

July 30. Bromham. Grant to Jas. Maxwell, of the Bedchamber, of arrears due to His Majesty, or to the late Queen Elizabeth, by the recusancy of Sir John Webb, of Odstock, co. Wilts. [*Ibid., No.* 28.]

July 31. Court. 53. Buckingham to Lord Zouch. The King hopes that the Cinque Ports will produce 100 mariners for service against the pirates; none are to be exempted but those employed in the Navy, who live about Rochester and Chatham.

July 31. Dover Castle. 54. Lord Zouch to the Mayors, Jurats, &c. of the Cinque Ports. Requires them to summon before them all fishers and seafaring men, that the Serjeant of the Admiralty may select 100 fit men for the service against pirates, to be impressed in proportions specified from the different towns. *Incloses,*

54. I. *The Council to Lord Zouch. Request him to impress* 100 *mariners in Kent for the expedition against pirates, to set out on Aug.* 1, *the ordinary prestors not being employed because of the misery occasioned by their oppression and corruption. Whitehall, July* 12.

54. II. *Instructions by Lord Admiral Buckingham to be observed by the Commissioners for impressing mariners. All seafaring men to appear before them, on penalty of apprehension, and choice to be made of the ablest, but only of one or two from one company or bark, that trade and fishing be not injured, &c.*

[July.] 55. Instructions given by Sir Robt. Mansell, Vice Admiral, to Capt. Pennington, of the merchant ship Zouch Phœnix, for surveying the victuals, stores, and ordnance of his ship, mustering his crew, &c.

[July.] 56. Blank draft of the above instructions.

Aug. 2. Valladolid. 57. John Southwell to Geo. Baron. Wishes a frequent correspondence, and to share in his most glorious labours and tribulations.

Aug. 2. London. 58. Philip Burlamachi to [Sir Edw. Conway?]. Transmits a packet for him from Sec. Calvert.

Aug. 3. Salisbury. 59. [John Woodford to Sir Fras. Nethersole.] Hopes to hear of his safe arrival at Prague. All the Earl of Suffolk's fine is remitted except 7,000*l.*, which is to pay Lord Haddington's debts. The King

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was entertained by Sir Thos. Howard at Charlton, during his progress. M. Du Buisson arrived with letters from the Prince of Condé, offering the daughter of France in marriage to the Prince. Partly in cipher, undeciphered.

Aug. 3. New Romney. 60. Mayor and Jurats of New Romney to Lord Zouch. Beg the discharge of four poor men impressed for service [against the pirates], who only occasionally spread fishing-nets on the sands, and are unused to the sea.

Aug. 4. London. 61. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir Geo. Smith goes to trail a pike, in company of the Earl of Oxford, whom Sir Horace Vere has carried out of the reach of debauchery. The King is at Salisbury; Sir Thos. Howard's entertainment of him well accepted; 200 or 300 Jesuits have come over, and even appear in their habits. The Spanish Ambassador has leave to lodge at Hampton Court. The fleet of the King's and merchants' ships ready. Demolition of the houses about St. Paul's threatened every day, but the inhabitants will not stir.

Aug. 4. Folkestone. 62. Thos. Philpot, Mayor of Folkestone, to Lord Zouch. Only four persons were selected from the town for service against pirates, their vessels and mariners being at sea; the deficiency will be supplied on their return, if it be not too late.

Aug. 4. 63. Bond of Gabriel Wastell and John Culmer, of St. Peter's, in the Isle of Thanet, in 20*l.*, obliging Wastell to present all passengers arriving by his boat to the Commissioners for Passage, and to carry none abroad unlicensed.

Aug. 4. Grant to Wm. Smisby of 125*l.* and of 161*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, compositions due for defective titles by Ant. Erby, for marsh grounds in Moulton, and by Robt. Adams for marsh grounds in Tydd-St.-Mary, both co. Lincoln; with a proviso that if they refuse to pay the composition, Smisby shall have the lands, on condition of paying the same sums into the Exchequer. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 4. Grant to John Rawlyns of an almsroom in Gloucestershire. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 4. Commission to Sir Edw. Coke and Sir Lionel Cranfield, to dispose of divers jewels of the late Queen Anne. [*Grant Bk., p.* 337.]

Aug. 4. Salisbury. Proclamation confirming former orders that no medicines be compounded within seven miles of London except by the Company of Apothecaries in London, and according to the Pharmacopeia Londinensis; also that the recent order in Chancery, settling the differences between the Grocers and Apothecaries, be observed. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 85.]

Aug. 7. Canterbury. 64. Archbp. Abbot to Lord Zouch. For a pass for his servants Baker and Askew to go into France.

Aug. 9. Dover Castle. 65. Lord [Zouch] to the Justices of Kent, and Thos. Fulnetby, Serjeant of the Admiralty. To search for such mariners of the ports as have fled into the country, and to impress enough to make up the number of 100.

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Aug. 10. Grant to Nich. Cole of the benefit of a recognizance forfeited by Edw. Barnard, for misbehaviour. [*Grant Bk., p.* 338.]

Aug. 13. Letter to the Solicitor General about the composition to be made by him with Hugh Middleton, touching the draining of certain lands in the Isle of Wight. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 13. Letter to the Earl of Nottingham, directing him to take special care of the King's game about Hampton Court. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 14. Thornbury. 66. Jeremy James, Chaplain to Lord Zouch, to his Lordship. Has been long and seriously ill, but submits to the will of God.

Aug. 14. 67. Sir Hen. Bowyer and other Justices [of Middlesex and Surrey] to the Council. Have examined the complaints of certain prisoners in the King's Bench against Sir Geo. Reynall, their Marshal, and find that they are unable to prove their charges. They say most of those who could prove them are removed to other prisons. *Annexing,*

67. I. *Particulars of the grievances complained of by the prisoners of the King's Bench, as to extortionate fees, high rates of lodging and provisions, seclusion from their friends, &c.*

Aug. 15. Bremer. 68. Sir Edw. Zouch to Lord Zouch. The King and Prince favour the house of Zouch. Will entertain them at his house on Sept. 4 and 5. Limitations in a proposed grant to one of the family.

Aug. 16. Office of Works, Scotland [Yard]. 69. Inigo Jones, Surveyor, and Thos. Baldwin, Comptroller of the Works, to the Commissioners of Buildings. Many masons employed on the Banquetting House, Whitehall, have run away, and others will do so, unless there be some punishment inflicted. Give the names of the five ringleaders.

Aug. 16. Grant to Dr. Rich. Zouch of the Civil Law Lectureship in the University of Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 16. Grant to And. Burrell of the office of one of the King's Shipwrights. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 18. 70. Warrant from the Commissioners of the Navy to Wm. Gosson, Drum Major, to impress twenty-eight drummers and fifers to serve in the fourteen merchant ships bound to Algiers against the pirates, requiring all the Justices, &c. to assist him therein.

Aug. 19. Exeter. 71. Mayor of Exeter to Sir C. Edmondes. Supposes it is for want of a friend to urge his cause that he receives no answer to his request, that certain shipowners of Exeter be cited before the Council for not contributing to the expedition against the Turks. Begs Sir Clement to procure him a reply. Sends him two pieces of 44*s.*

*Aug. 21. Doctors' Commons. 72. Dr. Rich. Zouch to Lord Zouch. His appointment for the Lectureship is settled, with promise of further favour. Sir Edw. and Lady Zouch send thanks for his favour to their son, Benj. Hayes. Lord Haddington well received at Court.

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Aug. 21. Wimborne-St.-Giles. 73. Sir Ant. Ashley to Buckingham. Thanks for his visit and favours, &c. A certain party builds his hopes on the great one, and is sent for during the progress. The gentleman recommended for the sea expedition should have special instructions under His Majesty's hand, or those of six of the Council, lest he be called in question on his return. Would have been in danger after the Calais expedition, in the last year of Queen Elizabeth, but had secret instructions to show. Sec. Cecil got them from him by a trick.

Aug. 21. Beaulieu. 74. Petition of Robt. Brandling, Surveyor of Coal Mines, to the King, for examination into the abuses of Sir Peter Riddell, Mayor of Newcastle, and others, who lay heavy impositions on coals, engross the ballast wharfs, and rent the King's coal mines at less than a thirtieth of their value, to the loss both of His Majesty and his subjects. With reference thereon.

Aug. 22. Dover. 75. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. Beg that Rich. Holland, lately imprested for the pirate expedition, may be discharged, on account of ill health.

Aug. 22. Declaration of the King's pleasure to convey to Lord Digby and his heirs, in fee farm, the manor of Henley-in-Arden, co. Warwick, and divers other manors and lands entailed on the Crown, for security of payment of 13,000*l.*, on or before Sept. 1621, although done without certificate from the Council, as appointed in the indenture of entail. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 22. Warrant for the Lord Privy Seal, the Duke of Lenox, and others, unto whom His Majesty heretofore made a lease of the manor of Aylton, co. Huntingdon, with other lands, in trust for the Prince, to surrender the same, as His Majesty intends to pass them to Lord Digby, for security of his expenses in an extraordinary embassy to Spain. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 22. Grant to Lord Digby and his heirs, in fee farm, of the manor of Henley-in-Arden, co. Warwick, and other manors in several counties not named, value 711*l.* 5*s.* 11½*d.*; with a proviso of redemption upon payment of 13,000*l.* before Sept. 1621, which sum His Majesty gives him towards defraying the charge of an extraordinary embassage into Spain. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 23. Grant to Sir Thos. Button of 1,452*l.*, as a free gift for special service. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 23. 76. Memorandum of anticipations on several heads of revenue, for the years 18 & 19 Jac. I.

Aug. 25. Warrant for Alex. Glover, Keeper of the Game near London, to inquire after such persons as commit depredations, and to take their dogs, hawks, guns, &c. used in the destruction of game. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 25. Discharge to Philip Burlamachi of a fine of 4,000*l.*, imposed on him in the Star Chamber for transporting coin; with general pardon for past offences. [*Docquet.*]

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Aug. 25. Similar discharge to Mat. de Quester, of a fine of 4,000*l.* [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 25. Similar discharge to Giles Van de pute, of a fine of 3,000*l.* [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 25. Warrant to advance the duty on sea coal exported, from 5*s.* to 6s. 8*d.*, the stranger to pay 3*d.* in 12*d.* more than the subject. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 26. Alesham. 77. Sir Chas. Cornwallis, Sir Thos. Hyrne, and John Richers to the Council. Have examined Augustine Sotherton's witnesses, and summoned before them Mr. Paslew and his witnesses, but they did not appear. *Inclose,*

77. I. *Examination of Edw. Mildham, of Burlingham, Norfolk. Was at the White Lion Inn when Mr. Paslew challenged Augustine Sotherton to drink, and being heated with wine, and vexed that Sotherton would not drink a second glass with him, reproached him for want of gentility, comparing him with his late master, Mr. Marcon, and followed him with provoking speeches, boasting of being himself the King's servant; on which Sotherton struck him with his dagger, and said "Take that for thy master's sake." Alesham, Aug.* 8.

77. II. *Examination of Thos. Marcon, of Norwich. Paslew came to him a few days after his hurt, and told him he had got it for the sake of his (Marcon's) father; but he would be avenged on Sotherton, and the King being now his master, would represent that the remark was meant for His Majesty; he bade him challenge Sotherton to meet him on Newmarket Heath, and there end the quarrel. Alesham, Aug.* 8.

77. III. *Examination of Rich. Lambert, of Norwich. Paslew often boasted and made comparisons of gentility with Sotherton; he wished Sotherton to fight or else to own himself wrong, and compound for the settlement of the quarrel. Alesham, Aug.* 8.

77. IV. *Memorandum by John Cooke, that he heard Paslew say, if Sotherton would not fight he would be avenged of him, by pretending that the speech, "Take this for thy master's sake," referred to his present master, the King, not to his late master in Norwich; also that he got his letters written for him when he was sick, in order that he might have greater show of complaint against Sotherton.*

Aug. 26. 78. Ant. Hill to Edw. Nicholas. Asks him to get in his debt from Knott, whose pretence that it was a gift in lieu of his chance of the muster-master's place is false, the place being a free gift from the

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Lord Warden. Has paid Mr. Ward 20*l.* for stinking herrings. *Incloses,*

78. 1. *Nicolas Knott to* [*Ant. Hill*]. *Will again offer the* 6*l. due to him to John Chowke, but he has hitherto refused it, declaring the debt to be more. With marginal note* [*by Hill to Nicholas.*] *Dover, Aug.* 13.

Aug.? 79. Ant. Hill to Edw. Nicholas. To procure order from the Lord Warden for payment of the money due to him for mustering at Deal.

Aug. 27. Little[cote]. 80. Sir Fras. Popham to Sir Edw. Conway, sen. Cannot hasten the marriage of his daughter with Conway's son, because the first 1,000*l.* portion will not be ready till a fortnight after Michaelmas, the second 1,000*l.* the May following, and the third 1,000*l.* the September after.

Aug. 27. Syon. 81. John Woodford to [Sir Fras. Nethersole]. Attended Court till after the King's arrival at Beaulieu, and thence went to Syon. Private information, partly in cipher. His Lord [Doncaster] wishes to know how Sir And. Gray conducted himself, and intreats him to recommend Sir Jas. Ramsay to the Queen of Bohemia. The pirate expedition under Sir Robt. Mansell has sailed.

Aug. 28. Woking. 82. Sir E. Zouch to Lord Zouch. The Bp. [of Winchester] will entertain the King like an emperor at Farnham. Cannot equal the Bishop's good cheer, but will give His Majesty and the Prince more mirth at Woking, and masques each night. Requests a leash of bucks and a brace of does from Odiham Park.

Aug. 30. Bath. 83. Ant. Hill to Edw. Nicholas. Is taking the waters and physic, and is greatly in want of money. Has written to Lord Zouch about Knott's debt, and hopes it may be paid, but fears evasion.

Aug. 30. Grant to Stephen Good of an almsroom in Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 30. Grant to Walter Butler of an almsroom in Worcester. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 30. Grant to Abm. Jacob of 1,250*l.*, out of his rent for imposts on tobacco, and confirmation to him and his son of 150*l.* per ann., according to their former patent, for collection of the increase of subsidy and impost on tobacco, on account of loss sustained by him in the new farm of tobacco, and the restraint of impost by proclamation. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 30. Declaration by the King, with reference to a late proclamation respecting tobacco-pipe makers, that it is lawful to break into their houses to apprehend them, if they resist proper authority. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 31. Grant to Patrick Abercromy, or such as he shall nominate, of lease of lands, tithes, &c., not named, value 120*l.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

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Aug. 31. Grant to Thos. Aylesbury, of the reversion, after Sir Ferdinando Gorges, of the office of Captain of the Castle near Plymouth, and of St. Nicholas Isle, which reversion was formerly granted to Sir Edw. Howard. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 31. London. 84. Governor and Company of Merchant Adventurers to Lord Zouch. Wished to postpone their suit to the Council against interlopers till his Lordship would be again present at the Board; but his absence being long, interloping grows intolerable by land carriage of woollen goods to the Cinque Ports, and their export thence to Middleburgh. Request him to assist their officer, Wm. Hamond, in searching for and staying such goods.

Aug.? 85. Lord Zouch to Sir Edw. Zouch. Is sorry not to have been at Bramsell to entertain His Majesty there. Built a house, to his own loss, but to the benefit of many poor. The town of Rye disputes his right to try certain pirates stayed there. Loves not law, and would not contend the point, but for the sake of his successors. Has referred it to the Lord Admiral. Indorsed, "Not sent."

Aug. 86. Statement of Sir Robt. Mansell's accounts with the King, for the 1,000*l.* rent due for his licence for manufacture of glass, and for balances due to him as Vice Admiral, and as Treasurer of the Navy; claiming the sum of 10,000*l.* for travelling expenses, &c. during his fourteen years' Treasurership, which was omitted from his account.

Aug.? 87. Petition of John Densie, Trunkmaker near St. Paul's, to the Commissioners for repairs, for stay of proceedings against him by John Bentley, his landlord, who has arrested him for the non-payment of his rent, withheld according to their Lordships' order of July 13.

Sept. 3. Special Commission to Sir Hen. Spiller, Geo. Longe, and others, to compound for any debts, forfeitures, &c. due to the King. [*Grant Bk., p.* 289.]

Sept. 3. Rye. 88. Mayor and Jurats, &c. of Rye to Lord Zouch. Request his approval of the Town Clerk whom they have elected. With note, that since they have chosen the clerk, his Lordship will not meddle therein.

Sept. 4. Faversham. 89. John Philpot to Nicholas. The Society of Tradesmen at Faversham, incorporated five years before, under good regulations, is much opposed, the more so, because it is reported that the Lord Warden will never see the ports again. Intreats his presence at Faversham to restrain their disorders.

Sept. 7 90. Memorandum of additional contributions for Bohemia [from the diocese of Peterborough].

Sept. 8. Grant to Sir Robt. Mansell of the office of Admiral, and to have the rule of certain ships and pinnaces for suppressing pirates. [*Grant Bk., p.* 315.]

Sept. 8. Grant, in reversion, to Accepted Frewyn, of a prebend in Canterbury Cathedral. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 8. Warrant to pay 200*l.* per ann. to the Cofferer of the Household, as the allowance for the four ordinary Clerks of the Privy Seal, in lieu of diet. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Warrant to the Officer of the Household to pay the above allowance of 200*l.* per ann. to the said Clerks. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. [8]. 91. Copy of the two preceding docquets.

Sept. 9. Letter to Sir Rich. Molyneux, Sir Thos. Tildesley, and other feoffees in trust for Sir Rich. Houghton, communicating the King's pleasure, that the money to be raised on the sale of lands made over to them by Sir Rich. Houghton be devoted to payment of his allowance from his father, and of his debts, and to the maintenance of himself and children. [*Docquet*]

Sept. 9. London. 92. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir Robt. Mansell and his companions are gone to Windsor to take leave of the King; their equipage is so rich that it is thought they cannot be going merely against Algiers' pirates. Some Aldermen of London have gone to Windsor to surrender their new charter, for which Mr. Attorney suffers so much. The Bp. of Winchester has spent 2,400*l.* in entertaining the King three days at Farnham. Death of Sir Robt. Brett. Sir Fras. Blundell is made an Irish Baronet, and has the precedence of all English Knights, being set as a leader to see who will follow.

Sept. 9. Saturday. 93. Sir Thos. Wilson to his Brother. Sends him a plaster for his shoulder. Desires him to cause more dams to be made in the river, that it may be full of water, as the Master of the Wards will visit his house on his way home.

Sept. 10. Lord Admiral Buckingham to Capt. Thos. Love. Requires him at once to go on board the Convertine, of which he is appointed Captain, under Sir Robt. Mansell. [*Dom. Corresp., May* 13, 1622.]

Sept. 11. 94. Analytical table of instructions for the Commissioners and Stewards to inquire into the King's copyholds.

Sept. 11. 95. Copy of the above; with note of cautions to be used in demising copyhold lands.

Sept. 14. Westminster. 96. Baron Achatius de Dona, Bohemian Ambassador, to Lord Zouch. Has written to the Cinque Ports, &c., and would have written earlier, but was told they were entirely at his Lordship's disposal. Requests his aid towards levying the contribution there for Bohemia. *Incloses,*

96. 1. *The Same to the Mayors, &c. of the Cinque Ports. Their Majesties of Bohemia requiring aid in maintaining their just cause, has applied to divers persons and places to assist them, and found great willingness to support the cause. Requests their contributions, with speedy payment, some forces being already sent, and the rest ready to follow when money comes in. Sept.* 14.

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Sept. 14. 97. Lord [Zouch] to the [Mayors, &c.] of the Cinque Ports. Exhorts them earnestly to a liberal contribution for the King and Queen of Bohemia. Full lists of contributors are to be sent, and magistrates to set a good example to others. Has given 200*l.* himself, and promised 100*l.* a year whilst the war lasts.

Sept. 14. Grant to Margaret Puncherdon of a sister's room in St. Catherine's, near the Tower. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 16. London. 98. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King gone from London to Wanstead, Havering, and Theobalds. Great alarm on Spinola's entrance into the Palatinate. Baron Dona could not persuade His Majesty to leave off his sports, and think on the matter. The Spanish Ambassador said he rejoiced because his master would thus be able to gratify the King by restoring the Palatinate; he is most arrogant in demeanour; he made a progress to Buckinghamshire to Lady Dormer's and Lady Tresham's, and founded a counter contribution to that of Bohemia. The Archbp. of Spalato behaves ill to Lady Carleton; she cannot get money, though even in these hard times Sir Edw. Zouch has Oking and other lands, worth 500*l.* a year, for fooling and masking, and John Murray has Guildford Park. Lord Doncaster made a feast at Syon to Buckingham and others. Death of Lord Fitzwalter, only son of the Earl of Sussex.

Sept. 18. Eton. 99. Sir Hen. Savile to the Same. Gloomy reports of affairs abroad.

Sept. 19. Chester. 100. Mayor of Chester to the Council. Requests the release of Walter Sheppard, imprisoned eighteen months before on a charge of being a Jesuit, which he denied, and took the Oath of Allegiance; his means are spent, and he is in great want.

Sept. 19. Middesex. 101. Examination of John Corbett, aged seventeen, servant of Hen. Lightgold, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields. Shot with clay pellets for amusement, and hit Lady Welsh, now wife of Roger Palmer, in the eye, whereby her life is in danger; does not think he hit Mr. Brown.

Sept. 20. 102. Recognizance by Art. Hill, of St. Keverne, Cornwall, for his appearance before the Council the last day of Michaelmas term.

Sept. 20 103. List of annuities, pensions, and fees for diets, increased and decreased.

Sept. [20?] 104. Capt. Hen. Bell to the Council. The King recommended him to serve the Venetians, but the conclusion of a peace prevented. Is cast into prison for debts, his money being expended in His Majesty's service; his means failing, will be put into the dark dungeon, and have to beg bread at the common gate. Begs to be allowed the nomination of two Irish Barons, and for an order to the Warden not to deal rigorously with him. *Incloses,*

104. I. *Note of the services done* [*by Hen. Bell*] *to the King in his transactions with foreign Princes, and of the expenses he has incurred thereby, for which his reward was an*

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office for survey of lead, with a pension of 500*l. a year, on which office he expended* 986*l., and it was then taken away before he reaped any benefit.*

Sept. 21. Declaration of Wm. Mathews, servant of Geo. Swetman, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, that, standing at his master's door, he was hit by a pellet shot from a window, by a servant of Mr. Lightgold, who also shot other passers-by. [*Dom. Corresp., Sept.* 19.]

Sept. 21. 105. Certificate by the Vicar, Constables, &c. [of St. Keverne, Cornwall], in behalf of Art. Hill, that he attended the late musters at Helstone, Cornwall, with a musket and pike, as accustomed; but was bound over by Sir Reginald Mohun in 100*l.* to appear before Council for not producing another musket and pike, which had never been required before; his true assertions of recent heavy losses, &c. were disregarded.

Sept. 21. Warrant for payment to Visct. Haddington of 2,000*l.*, lately paid into the Exchequer by the Earl of Suffolk. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 21. Grant to Sir Rich. Tracy, on surrender of Sir Wm. Throgmorton, of the office of Master of the Game in Crossland Chace, co. Gloucester. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 21. Grant to the Vicar of Hampton and his successors of forty marks per ann., in lieu of certain glebe lands inclosed for the King's Park at Hampton Court. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 21. Licence to the Lord Admiral, the Master of the Ordnance, and the Master of the Court of Wards, to make and work all manner of saltpetre and gunpowder, in England and Ireland. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 21. Grant to Wm. Villiers, of Brookesby, co. Leicester, of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Sept 22. Grant to Dr. Rich. Zouch of the lectureship of Civil Law at Oxford. [*Grant Bk., p.* 307.]

Sept. 22. Grant to Abm. Jacob of 3,000*l.*, and to Abm. and John Jacob of the office of collecting impositions on tobacco for life. [*Ibid., p.* 329.]

Sept. 25. Hampton Court. 106, 107. Minute of the order in which business depending is to be taken by the Council, viz.:—Residence of the Merchant Adventurers at Middleburgh; Complaint of the East India Merchants against Berwick for betraying their ships; business of the Patentees for manufacturing steel; the plantations in Ireland; the low price of wools; wine casks and erection of brewhouses. Two copies.

Sept. 25. 108. Petition of Hen. Steed and others, merchants of Dover, to Lord Zouch, to be discharged of penalties incurred by exporting malt without paying full custom. Did it to employ their vessels, the incor porated companies having drawn the trade of the kingdom to London

Sept. 25. Rolls. 109. Commissioners for Suits to the Farmers of Customs. Request them and the French merchants to certify their opinion on a petition of one of the King's servants [John Pitts], concerning transporting Irish hides from West Chester.

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Sept. 26. Brightlingsea. 110. John King to Lord Zouch. Complains of the violence and abuse of John Bens, and other unlawful takers of oysters, of Chiche and St. Osith, whom, according to warrant, he endeavoured to suppress. Was summoned on their accusations before Lord Darcy, but refused to appear. They profess that the dredging grounds are Lord Darcy's.

Sept. 27? 111. Petition of the Merchant Adventurers to the King, for permission at last to remove their staple town from Middleburgh, repeated promises for redress of grievances being unaccomplished, and the Secretary from that town, till whose coming the decision was postponed, having now arrived.

Sept. 27. New College. 112. Dr. Rich. Zouch to Lord Zouch. The Fellows of Corpus Christi College usually let their land on leases for twenty years, and renew them to the former tenants if they have performed their conditions. Doubts not they will continue his Lordship in a farm of which he has purchased the interest.

Sept. 28. 113. Commissioners of Sewers for Ely and Cambridgeshire to the Council. Have contracted with Sir Wm. Ayloffe for draining the Fens. Request that the undertakers may now be compelled to perform their part, or else to abandon the project, since, in expectation of it, the drainage has been neglected for years. *Inclose,*

113. I. *Order of the Session of Sewers, that the undertakers shall be allowed the moiety of all profits arising from the improvements of rentals of lands valued below* 8*s. per acre, which shall accrue from their drainage, for seven years, and that then the average value of the said moiety shall be assigned over to them, they keeping the drainage in order, compensating any damage done to land-owners thereby, and commencing their works speedily. Ely, Sept.* 28, 1620.

Sept. 28. 114. Michael Constable to John Archer. Has received some apparel; cannot be removed but by warrant from the Lord Warden, who could set him at liberty if he chose, but he is severe on men of his calling; would rather endure his hard restraint than endanger his friends by removing to London. Wishes his friends in Louvaine to know that he could not deliver their messages. Certain letters are to be forwarded.

Sept. 28. Chatsworth. 115. Earl of Devonshire and Lord Wm. Cavendish to the Council. At the musters in Derbyshire, the forces are made complete, with useful arms, powder, and match; the beacons attended to, &c.

Sept. 28. Dover. 116. Matthew Poker, Gunner of Dover Castle, to Nicholas. Mr. Fulnetby has lent him 8*l.*, which is to be deducted out of his pay, and the balance of 4*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* delivered to his mother for him.

Sept. 28. Deal Castle. 117. [Gunners] of Deal Castle to Lord Zouch. Present four of their number who live away from their posts; know of no other faults committed.

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Sept. 28. 118. [Gunners, &c.] of Walmer Castle to the Same. Present themselves as all faulty, and request pardon.

Sept. 29. 119. Jury and Gunners of Sandown Castle to the Same. Present their Lieutenant for non-residence, and certain Gunners for occasional absence from duty, on account of sickness.

Sept. 29. Hampton Court. 120. The King to the Earls of Pembroke and Arundel, and others. To cancel a former licence to John Cotton, John Williams, and Thos. Ditton, to build an amphitheatre, which is not sufficiently restricted, and to order a new warrant, with certain restrictions and reservations.

Sept. 29. 121. Account of extraordinary receipts since Michaelmas, 1619. Total, 110,463*l.*

Sept. 29. 122. Account of extraordinary disbursements since Michaelmas, 1619. Total, 138,729*l.*

Sept. 29. 123. Statement of debts of former years paid since Michaelmas, 1619. Total, 41,624*l.*

Sept. 29. 124. Statement of the whole debts of the Crown, due at Michaelmas, 1620. Total, 611,525*l.*

Sept. 29. 125. State of the revenue for the past year, as contained in the declarations of the Receivers of the Exchequer. Latin.

Sept. 29. 126, 127. Muster roll of the garrison of Mote's Bulwark. Two copies.

Sept. 30. 128. Muster roll of the garrison of Deal Castle.

Sept. 30. 129. Muster roll of the garrison of Sandown Castle.

Sept. 30. 130. Muster roll of the garrison of Walmer Castle.

Sept. 30. 131. Muster roll of the garrison of Arch-cliff Bulwark.

[Sept. 30.] 132. List of the Gunners, and of the Captain's six men [at Arch-cliff Bulwark].

Sept. 30. York. 133. Lord President and the Council of the North to the Council. The inclosures in Galtres Forest by Thekeston and Sir Rich. Etherington are of the best part of the forest; they much injure the poor of Easingwold and Kirby, who are thus excluded from their right of common; the wood required for inclosures and sub-divisions impoverishes the forest, and the tumults arising thereon, searching for cattle, &c., have frightened away most of the deer. If the frith were reserved for the deer after Michaelmas, as agreed on, both woods and game would be preserved.

Sept. 30. 134. Certificate by Jasper Fowler, Searcher of Kent, that he often heard compositions made between the Custom-house officers and maltsters of Dover, for licence to export malt, if the wind would not serve to carry it to another part of the Kingdom; that no fraud was thereby intended, and that without such favour, much malt must have spoiled by lying waiting for a wind.

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Sept.? 135. Julius Deede, Collector, and Wm. Haynes, Controller of Customs, to Lord Zouch. The townsmen of Dover, who are sued for transporting malt, first compounded for its export at the Custom-house, and were allowed a large reduction in the usual duties, without which they would not venture to export it, as it is cheap, and no certain market for it.

Sept. 30. Warrant to pay to Geo. Herriot 328*l.* 10*s.*, for jewels for the King. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Grant to John Mawre, servant to Thos. Derry, of 4*s.* per diem during the life of the said Derry, and of 2*s.* per diem should he survive him. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Grant to Thos. Hill of pardon for offences committed by him against the statutes of usury, for which there is no information against him. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Warrant to the Exchequer to pay to Sir Robt. Ayton 375*l.*, in part of his pension of 500*l.* per ann. from the impost on sea coals, the farmers of which have already paid all their rents due. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Warrant to pay to the Mayor and Burgesses of Berwick 350*l.*, over and above 12,000*l.* already allowed, for finishing the bridge, and licence to cut down 250 tons of timber in Chopwell woods, bishopric of Durham, for the said bridge. [*Docquet.*]

[Sept. 30.] 136. Petition of Capt. Fras. and Marg. Woodhouse to the Council. Being summoned home four months before, from Overyssel, where the captain's regiment was in garrison, to attend Sir Edw. Coke and his Lady, and the regiment being meanwhile removed to Cleves, request compensation for their charges, and for loss incurred, and a letter to account for their long absence.

Sept.? 137. Petition of Alex. Wilson to the King, that in consideration of his services for thirty-five years to the late Queen Anne, Prince Henry, and His Majesty, in Norway, Denmark, &c., the arrears of his pension may be paid.

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Oct. 3. Special commission to Sir Rich. Hawkins to be Admiral of the King's ships for suppression of pirates, in case Sir Robt. Mansell die in that service. [*Grant Bk., p.* 289.]

Oct. 3. Special commission to Thos. Mynne to search and dig for gold and silver ore, in any lands in the parish of Narborough, co. Stafford. [*Ibid.*]

Oct. 4. Oxford. 1. Justices of Oxfordshire to the Council. Wm. Wyatt, recommended by them, has no certificate to prove his being a maimed soldier, and has lived in the county as a labourer twenty years.

Oct. 4. 2. List of contributions in defence of the Palatinate, from noblemen, gentlemen, officers of state, &c.

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Oct. 4. 3. Thos. Fulnetby to Nicholas. Wishes the sealing of a warrant for a diver, and an answer to a petition from the master of a wreck, for leave to retain and sell 300 of flax, to get money to carry himself and his men home.

Oct. 5. Declaration to all Judges and Officers of Courts, that the King will not allow any innovations or erections of new offices in any court, till the cause be well weighed by the Judges or Officers of the court which it may concern. [*Grant Bk., p.* 303.]

Oct. 6. Grant to John Saunderson of the King's benefit of the forfeiture of a recognizance for 80*l.*, in which Rich. Jayne and other sureties stand bound for Jayne's good behaviour. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 6. Flushing. 4. Instrument, by Gideon Morris, Public Notary, constituting Jacob Braems, Merchant of Dover, agent on behalf of the owners, Cornelius Claenson and others, to recover from Jaques Huygens [Jas. Hugessen], of Dover, the value of certain goods cast away in the ship Fortune, in Dec. 1618.

Oct. 7. 5. Sir Albert Morton to Lord Zouch. The King having declared for the defence of the Palatinate, all the Council present have subscribed liberally, and have charged him to secure the subscriptions of absentees. Sends a note of the contributions promised, and asks what his Lordship will give.

Oct. 7. Custom House. 6. Sir Nich. Salter and Sir John Wolstenholme to the Commissioners for Suits. The export of Irish hides from West Chester, after paying import duties and being tanned, as petitioned for by John Pitts, is lawful, but needs care, lest, under colour thereof, English leather be exported.

Oct. 7. Sandwich. 7. Mayor of Sandwich to Nicholas. Sends 153*l.* 11*s.*, collected for the Bohemian wars in the town and its members, and also a list of the contributors.

Oct. 7. 8, 9. Muster roll of the garrison of Sandgate Castle. Two copies.

Oct. 9. 10. The King to the Commissioners for the Treasury. Refers to them a proposal of Sir John Danvers, that the arrears of the pension of 500*l.*, which he bought, may be discharged from the rent on French and Rhenish wines, and that the pension in future may be paid from the rent on unwrought cloths, in order to secure punctuality therein.

Oct. 11. 11. Statement of the benefit that would arise to the King and his dominions by a coinage of tin money; with examples of coinage of base metals in other countries, answers to objections, &c.

Oct. 12. 12. Wm. Lenthall to his Father-in-law. His uncle is imprisoned by a warrant from the Lord Chancellor, which does not assign the cause. The men of Burdford have petitioned against his Lord. Private affairs.

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Oct. 14. London. 13. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir Thos. Chamberlain, Chief Justice of Wales and Chester, is sworn a Judge of the King's Bench. Speech of the Lord Chancellor, exalting the King's prerogative as the perfection of law,—a doctrine meant to prepare the way for subsidies without Parliament, because, though many of the nobles and Council offered largely for the contribution, this is not expected to last, and a common burden is needed. The Earl of Suffolk likely to return to the Council table; Sir Thos. Lake might have been restored through the Spanish Ambassador, had he not broken his arm. Report that the Princes of the Union have overthrown Spinola.

Oct. 15. Chelsea. 14. Sir Lionel Cranfield to [Sir Thos. Wilson?]. Thanks him for a particular of Hoddesdonbury, but has no intention of dealing therein.

Oct. 15. Newark. 15. Commissioners of Musters of Nottinghamshire to the Council. Have completed, trained, and exercised the footbands, but many who were summoned to supply the defects of the horse do not appear. Transmit their names.

Oct. 15. Grant to Jas. Chambers and others, of the office of Receiver and Collector of Fines and Forfeitures, due upon penal laws, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 287.]

Oct. 17. 16. Court roll of Heningham Upland, admitting Geo. Legon, on surrender of Edw. Archer, to be tenant of a certain messuage in Rookley Green. *Prefixed is,*

16. 1. *Court roll admitting Edw. Archer as tenant of the same, on surrender of Robt. Bootwith, Sept.* 23, 1619.

Oct. 18. Grant to Sir Lionel Cranfield of the office of Treasurer of the Exchequer, during pleasure. [*Grant Bk., p.* 337.]

Oct. 18. 17. Order [in Council] that the Chancellor of the Exchequer and others take examinations, &c., relative to persons summoned before the Board for transportation of iron ordnance out of the Kingdom.

Oct. 18. Whitehall. 18. Thos. Packer to Sir Geo. Calvert. Sends a copy of the petition from Trinity College, and the King's reference thereon. Had contracted on behalf of the College for 130*l.*; but if the grant, which will benefit the College, is thought by Sir John Wood contrary to the Commission for Suits, they will accept any other suit worth 100*l.* instead.

Oct. 19. Sandwich. 19. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Starch and other [wrecked] goods have been seized for his use; Mr. Herbert, the owner of the vessel, will give sureties for indemnity for its re-delivery, and will pay the required composition to the savers of his goods.

[Oct. 20.] 20. The Council to the King. The Merchant Adventurers are not unanimous in desiring to remove from Middleburgh. Reasons of those who oppose the removal. They are ordered to wait the King's pleasure, but with hope that they may exercise free choice.

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Oct. 20. Special commission to Sir Lawr. Tanfield, &c., to compound with cities and towns for pardons and discharge for the tolls, &c. heretofore taken by them without good right. [*Grant Bk., p.* 291.]

Oct. 21. Chard. 21. Auditor Wm. Hockmore to Fras. Nicholls, Clerk of the Prince's Wards. Scandal occasioned by Mr. Raynall's charges on the subjects in the Duchy of Cornwall's lands. Redress needed.

Oct. 21. 22. Bond of Rich. Herbert, of Exeter, and John Gooding and David Woodroffe, of London, in 200*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for restoration of the cargo of the ship Neptune, of Apsom, co. Devon, lost upon the Godwin Sands.

Oct. 21. Kendall. 23. Justices of Westmoreland to the Council. Ant. Lucas, recommended by them for relief as a maimed soldier, is an idle drunken pedlar.

Oct. 23. Chester. 24. Earl of Derby to the Council. Sends certificates of his Deputy Lieutenants of the musters in Cheshire and Lancashire and city of Chester.

Oct. 23. Special pardon for felony granted to Sir Robt. Carr. [*Grant Bk., p.* 289.]

Oct. 23. Dover Castle. 25. Wm. Eldred to Nicholas. To speak to Mr. Griffith, that he may have the stipend of 5*l.* a year left by will for keeping the Earl of Northampton's tomb, to which he has attended carefully for five years. Fails in the hope of mending his fortunes. One of the great beams in Dover church is likely to fall, and may do great hurt.

Oct. 24. Westminster. 26. Commission to the Archbp. of York, the Lord Chancellor, Lord President of the Council of the North, Bps. of Durham, Carlisle, Chester, and others, constituting them Commissioners for causes ecclesiastical, in the province of York.

Oct. 24. 27. Copy of the above.

Oct. 24. 28. Estimate by the Commissioners of the Navy of the charge of victuals and wages for 1,360 men, serving on board the Red Lion, Vanguard, Rainbow, Constant Reformation, Destiny, and Antelope, for six months, in the expedition against Algiers. Total 14,094*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

Oct. 24. 29. Estimate by the Commissioners of the Navy of the extraordinary charge for setting forth the said ships, above the former estimate of 6,620*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.*, amounting to 2,488*l.*

Oct. 25. Whitehall. 30. Circular letter from the Council to [the Nobility, &c.] The dominions of the King's grandchildren being invaded by enemies, and His Majesty having declared in their defence, have themselves in such an emergency offered a voluntary gift in aid of the Palatinate, and are assured that his Lordship will do the same. [109 *of these circulars were despatched, mutatis mutandis, to the Peers, Bishops, Deans, &c. See Council Register, Oct.* 25, 1620.]

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Oct. 26. Tavistock. 31. The Earl of Bath to the Council. Has held the musters in Devonshire. Will send the names of delinquents when proofs can be sent also. Some question is made about payments towards the martial rates.

Oct. 26. 32. Deputy Mayor and Master and Wardens of the Mercers' Society of Faversham, to Lord Zouch. Caverly, Goffe, and Sommers refuse to pay the fines imposed on them for their contempt; beseech his Lordship to enforce their obedience, and thus re-establish the peace of the town.

Oct. 26. Acton. 33. Ant. Hill to Nicholas. Requests the loan of four pieces. Has left Bath, which was very full this Autumn.

Oct. 26. 34. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Cannot agree with the savers, as to the composition to be allowed them for rescuing goods from a Dutch hoy, run aground. Requests orders thereon.

[Oct. 27.] 35. Speech of Sir Hen. Yelverton in the Star Chamber. Will not defend his cause, but submit to His Majesty, thereby to amplify his clemency; rejected any attempt at defence, in order not to distrust his mercy. The many errors in the charter [to the city of London] crept in unawares, through negligence, not corruption. Grieves that his fidelity to the King should be suspected; lays his fortunes at his feet, and desires to be sentenced by him; begs their Lordships' intercession with His Majesty for him, especially as the charter is given up, and that His Majesty may be informed of his submission, before the cause proceeds.

Oct. 27. Copy of the above. [*Dom. Corresp., May* 1, 1621.]

[Oct. 27.] 36. Copy of the above, with speech by Archbp. Abbot, in favour of the prisoner's request that his cause may be submitted to the King.

Oct. 28. London. 37. Chamberlain to Carleton. A Parliament is spoken of, but will avail little, for while the prerogative is grown a "noli me tangere," impositions and patents are so grievous that they must be complained of; amongst them are those for tobacco, which will stifle the Virginia plantation; for saltpetre; for scouring armour; for taxes on hay, on all paper printed only on one side, on probates of wills, &c. Much murmuring at a licence to the Spanish Ambassador to export ordnance and shot. The King is expected in town to prick Sheriffs, and see his new building. A sea voyage to Scotland talked of for the Spring. The Attorney General acknowledged his errors in the Star Chamber, and begged that his cause might be deferred, which was granted with difficulty; some say he has escaped shipwreck, others that he is justly punished for plotting against the Dutch strangers. The Lord Chancellor has published his Instauratio Magna, and sent it to the King, with a hope that His Majesty may be as long in reading it as he was in compiling it, viz., thirty years. It is said, "that a fool could not have written such a work, and a wise man would not."

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Oct. 28? 38. Information, by Wm. Buckley, of Atherston, that on Oct. 23 Hugh Drayton reviled the King, in his drink, for non-payment of his pension of 16*l.* a year. Indorsed with note that he is penitent, and is to be whipped or otherwise corrected, by order of the Justices of Assize. Dec. 3.

Oct. 28. 39. Inhabitants of [Atherston] to [the Justices of Assize?]. Certify, at request of Alice Drayton, the harmless carriage of her husband, Hugh Drayton, but that being hurt in his head in the wars, a little drink distempers his brain, and makes him speak improperly.

Oct. 28? 40. Testimony of Rich. Goodall, that [Hugh Drayton] is occasionally "non compos mentis," from wounds in the wars, in which he was a forward soldier; he and his family will be undone if he is questioned for such words.

Oct. 28. 41. Examination of Thos. Wetherall, of Hedley Hall, Yorkshire. Wm. Clough, Vicar of Bramham, said the King was a fool, and fit for nothing but catching dotterels; the Lord President was a fool, only fit for gaming; the north was governed by an old doting Bishop, &c.; also that he would get leave to preach at Paul's Cross, and would expose the evils of government.

Oct. 29. Grant to Jas. Whitelock, Serjeant-at-Law, of the office of Justice in cos. Denbigh and Montgomery, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 306.]

Oct. 29. Grant to Sir Robt. Lloyd of the office of engrossing wills and inventories, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 329.]

Oct. 30. 42. Earl of March and Lord St. John to the Council. Have fulfilled all their requirements in reference to the trained forces, powder, beacons, &c. in Huntingdonshire.

Oct. 30. Westminster. 43. Earl of Kent to the Same. Has completed the musters for Bedfordshire. Sends the names of defaulters, especially Thos. Hillersdon, who, though a Justice of Peace, and worth 1,000*l.* a year in land, will not provide the lance with which he is charged.

Oct ? 44. Petition of Jas. Hugessen, jun., to Lord Zouch, for a copy of a false accusation made against him by Jacob Braems, of Dover, touching the goods of Cornelius Claenson, of Flushing, and for release from his bonds to appear and answer the accusation.

Oct. 30. Dover. 45. Jas. Hugessen to Nicholas. Has obliged Cornelius Claenson, of Flushing, to speak the truth, and his examination, &c. will vindicate him [Hugessen] from the slanders put upon him by Mr. Braems.

Oct. 30. 46. John Philpot to Lord Zouch. As Sir Edw. Zouch declares he will never give him anything for the execution of his office, wishes to resign it to Mr. Williamson, for the 40*l.* which he has lost by it, enduring the dishonour of returning to his own country, and leaving any further recompence to Sir Edward's consideration.

Oct. 31. 47. Examination of Rich. Gascoigne, of Bramham-biggin, co. York. Heard Wm. Clough, Vicar of Bramham, say, in the pulpit, that he was lately summoned through a plot of the Papists; that things are now turned upside down, for whereas Priests formerly ruled Kings, now Kings rule Priests, &c.

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[Oct.] 48. Articles exhibited before the Ecclesiastical Commission for the diocese of York, by Edm. Troutbeck, surgeon, against Wm. Clough, Vicar of Bramham, accusing him of irreverent language, of speaking against the King's ordinances for the Sabbath, and the ceremonies of the church, and of abusive language to his parishioners.

Oct. 31. Seaford. 49. Bailiffs, &c. of Seaford to [Lord Zouch]. State, in reply to his letter ordering the release of Thos. Gratwick on bail, that Lady Gratwick and her sons have long refused to pay their rates; that on a distress being issued, they assaulted the Chamberlain who went to serve it, and were fined for a riot; that Roger Gratwick refused to pay the fine, and Thos. Gratwick twice assaulted and seriously wounded the Serjeant who attempted to take Roger, and who still lies ill. Are willing to release Gratwick, but only on good sureties, those whom he offered being poor men.

[Oct.] 50. Petition of Edm. Nicholson to the Lords of the Treasury. An order being granted for him to collect the pretermitted customs in Hull, Newcastle, Ipswich, and Sandwich, begs that he may have the money collected between Feb. 26 and March 25 last, paid to him, and allowance for moneys due to him by the Merchant Adventurers.

Oct.? 51. Petition of Stephen Aynscombe to the Commissioners of the Treasury, for a warrant to ship divers pieces of ordnance of his manufacture from the sea side in Sussex, in order to bring them to the market at Tower Hill.

Nov. 2. Grant to St. John's College, Cambridge, of licence to purchase lands in mortmain, value 500*l.* per ann. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 29.]

Nov. 2. Special licence to the Same, to purchase lands and tenements not exceeding the value of 40*l.* per ann. [*Grant Bk., p.* 289.]

Nov. 3. Grant to Wm. Richardson of the office of Auditor in Chancery, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 304.]

Nov. 3. Grant to Wm. Cockayne and others, of the office of Auditor of Chancery, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 295.]

Nov. 3. Grant to Robt. Earl of Warwick to be of the Council for the plantation of New England. [*Ibid., p.* 307.]

Nov. 3. Grant to Hen. Earl of Southampton and Wm. Earl of Salisbury, &c. to be of the Council for plantations in New England. [*Ibid., p.* 305.]

Nov. 3. Incorporation of the Duke of Lenox, Marquis of Buckingham, and others, as the Council established at Plymouth for the plantation and government of New England, they to choose others, to the number of forty, to be of that Council. [*Ibid., p.* 332.]

Nov. 3. Commission to Geo. Marquis Hamilton, to be one of the Council for the plantation of New England. [*Ibid., p.* 323.]

Nov. 3. 52. Commission from Lord Zouch to the Mayor, Preacher, and Jurats of Rye, appointing them Commissioners for the passages at that port.

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Nov. 3. Norwich. 53. Bp. of Norwich and others to the Council. Have heard the propositions of the men of Yarmouth, and the counter allegations of those of Norwich. Find that the haven and piers of Yarmouth are most important in draining the level lands about the rivers Waveney, Wensum, and Yare, and that many thousand acres are much improved thereby; that Yarmouth is unable to bear the sole charge of repairing and maintaining them, and therefore a tax should be laid on the lands thus improved, and a poundage on goods imported or exported from Yarmouth.

Nov. 4. 54. Statement of the annual expense of the Ordnance Office, as returned by the Commissioners, total 14,204*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*; of the modes by which they propose to effect a saving of 10,330*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.* therein, viz., suppression of offices, the King's resumption of saltpetre manufacture, by which he can provide his own gunpowder, and reduction of the allowances for supplies of munition and wages. With replies [by the Officers of Ordnance], showing the fallacies in the above statements and propositions.

Nov. 4. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Horton, of Barkisland, co. York, of pardon for theft, &c. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 30.]

Nov. 4. London. 55. N. B. [Nich. Burton] to his uncle, Wm. Carnsew. Names of parties who propose to stand for Knights of the Shire. The King has reluctantly consented to a Parliament, and has issued a commission to inquire about monopolies, in order to avoid an attack upon his prerogative. Proceedings in the Star Chamber against Sir Hen. Yelverton, for errors in the charter drawn up for the City of London. Changes in law offices on his deprivation. Several Catholics committed for contributing to the cause of the Emperor, instead of the Palatinate. "My Lady's" cause heard in court; "My Lord" not prepared to give her half of what she hoped for.

Nov. ? 56. Information given by Jas. Wilson that Geo. Anderby collects money for Marquis Spinola in Lincolnshire, and sends him over 4,000*l.* or 5,000*l.* twice a year.

Nov. 4. 57. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Particulars of bills for the arrears of Carleton's allowance. Carvell of Norfolk, who is said to be treasurer for the recusants, and a contributor to the Emperor, is apprehended.

Nov. 4. 58. The Same to the Same. The Merchant Adventurers have obtained leave to remove their residence from Middleburgh to Amsterdam. Lady Carleton wishes Sir Dudley to write to Buckingham, to ask leave to come over, and she will deliver the letters if requisite.

Nov. 4. London. 59. Chamberlain to the Same. The King has set out for Theobalds, Royston, and Newmarket, to stay till Christmas. He has called a Parliament for January, and has issued a commission for survey of monopolies, and a proclamation for free elections. The Attorney General's matter is to proceed; his submission has not availed. Most of the great officers have been disgraced within five years.

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Sir Clement Edmondes is sent with a Serjeant to Norfolk, to fetch up Sir Edw. Carvell, a recusant, and suspected treasurer of certain Papists. Dr. Moore, suspected to be a priest, released, &c.

Nov. 5. Malaga. 60. Walter Long to Sir Geo. Calvert. The expedition reached Gibraltar Oct. 30, and Malaga Nov. 3. Many compliments were paid them by the Spaniards. Shall stay nowhere till they reach Algiers.

Nov. 6. Dover Castle. 61. Wm. Eldred to Nicholas. Private affairs. Asks if there is any chance of a supply for repair of the castle.

Nov. 6. Theobalds. Proclamation appointing a Parliament for Jan. 16, to consider the state of Christendom, &c., and admonishing that such members be returned as are approved for sincerity in religion, and not noted for superstitious blindness, nor for turbulent humours, men of exemplary life, grave and discreet, and not bankrupts nor discontented persons, nor wrangling lawyers. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 86.]

Nov. 7. 62. John Verney to Sir Edw. Conway. Mr. Carvell, of Norfolk, taken up, on suspicion of being treasurer for the Catholic contributions to the Emperor.

Nov. 7. London. 63. Wm. Stannard to the Same. Private business. Letters forwarded. Money paid for him, for Lady Conway, and Capt. Thos. Conway.

Nov. 7. London. J[ohn] W[oodford] to [Sir Fras. Nethersole]. Parliament is to begin Jan. 16. In order to settle the disputes between the heirs of the late Earl of Shrewsbury and Sir Wm. Cavendish, nephew of the Earl of Devonshire, to whom the Countess of Shrewsbury, prisoner in the Tower, gave some of the lands, it is determined to create Cavendish Visct. Mansfield. An attempt made to export 180 pieces of ordnance, under a forged warrant from Lord Carew. [*Germ. Corresp., Nov.* 7.]

Nov. 8. Whitehall. 64. Sir Benj. Rudyard to Sir Fras. Nethersole. The proclamation for a Parliament was written by the King himself. The contributions for the Palatinate prosper, and sometimes those who refuse to contribute are, in revenge, made Sheriffs, or raised in their tax for the musters.

Nov. 8. Belvoir Castle. 65. The Earl of Rutland to the Council. Has held the musters in Lincolnshire, and had arms provided, that such as were not well supplied might purchase them at once. Has also taken care that the arms of the trained bands be borne by the persons charged, not by servants. The horse are completed.

[Nov. 8.] 66. Petition of Amy Lady Blount, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Same, for release, on making the required promise not again to trouble the King or Council on the business for which she stands committed; also for release of her servant, Rich. Evans, who delivered her petition.

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Nov. 9. Bradborne. 67. Sir Ralph Bosvile to Lord Zouch. Solicits nomination as member for some place within the Cinque Ports, for the approaching Parliament.

Nov. 9. London. 68. Chamberlain to Carleton. Thinks his coming over would be fruitless; he should not come without good authority. Sir Thos. Bodley, relying on private letters, overthrew his fortunes. The King pricked for Sheriffs. Great men's servants get contributions from gentlemen who wish to be excused the office. The great plenty lowers rents, and leads to poverty. His Majesty expects those who have already subscribed for Bohemia to contribute again. He would not leave out the words "wrangling lawyers" from the proclamation for Parliament. John Murray cannot protect the Attorney General, who, for his sake, has fallen into this misfortune. The Chancellor of the Exchequer, having a good purse, is likely to be Treasurer, rather than the Lord Chief Justice. Sir Jas. Whitelock has bought the Receivership of Wales.

[Nov. 10.] 69. Speech in the Star Chamber in the cause of the Attorney General, arguing that his error being unaccompanied with corruption, his general demeanour in his office courteous and disinterested, and the loss of his place a great downfall to him, his sentence be only a fine, and the place of his imprisonment the Fleet, and not the Tower. [*See Nov.* 16.]

Nov. 10. Westminster. Commission for the repair and maintenance of St. Paul's Cathedral, and removal of purprestures and encroachments blemishing the Church or straightening the churchyard; differing in a few points specified from the former commission. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 31.]

Nov. 11. 70. Examination of Hen. Foxwell, of Baltonsborough, co. Somerset. Meant, by the expression in his letter to Mrs. Fitzjames, of Charlton, that "the taking of Bohemia and the Palatinate would be to the good of the church," the good of the Roman Catholic church, and by "the ill news of the rifling of good men in the prison at London," those Catholics whose books and goods were taken away by pursuivants. *Annexed is,*

70. 1. *H. Fo*[*xwell*] *to Mrs. Fitzjames. The Emperor's forces have taken Prague and the Palatinate, which will be a great benefit to God's Church. The new prison has been searched, and the good men rifled of books, &c. to the value of* 400*l.*

Nov. 11. 71. Thos. Locke to [Carleton]. The Attorney General has received his doom. The King was displeased with his submission, because he excused himself on the ground of ignorance, negligence, &c. Particulars of the cause. Mr. Holt was stopped in his attempt to clear him by saying that others of the King's counsel had a hand in the charter. Sir Edw. Coke was very severe upon him. After long discussion, the penalty was fixed at imprisonment in the Tower, and a fine of 4,000*l.* The King gave an audience to the Spanish Ambas-

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sador in the gallery at Whitehall; he caused several pieces to be cut out of pictures in the gallery, which reflected on the Spaniards. A complaint about Baron Dona has been sent to his master.

Nov. 11. The Ruins, near Canterbury. 72. Lord Wotton to Lord Zouch. Desires his interest to have Sir Roger Nevinson, a man of worth and sufficiency, living near Sandwich, elected Burgess for that town or some other of the ports.

Nov. 12. Newmarket. 73. Petition of Dame Anne Dallison and Sir Thos. Dallison, her son, to the King, for a speedy hearing from the Lord Chancellor of the claims of Sir Rich. Smith and Sir John Davy, of London, on the manor of Scotton, co. Lincoln, yielded to them, as mortgagees, by the late Sir Roger Dallison, on which they make unjust demands. With references thereon.

Nov. 12. Dover. 74. Wm. Leonard to Nicholas. Has been moved to stand for a place in the Parliament, but declined. If he (Nicholas) wishes to be a member, the Mayor will support him, but he must obtain Lord Zouch's letter soon, as the Lieutenant is always one of the two members, and there will be many candidates.

Nov. 15. 75. Lord Cavendish to the Council. Is unable further to contribute towards the Palatinate, having only credit left. Has already shewn his zeal by borrowing money to pay to the former contribution, and by labouring much to increase it.

Nov. 15. Grant to Edw. Boteler of the office of Collector of the Customs at the port of Kingston-upon-Hull. [*Docquet.*]

Nov. 15. Warrant to pay to Sir Chas. Howard 15*l.*, for relief of the deer in Mortlake Park, and 15*l.* per ann. for preservation of them in winter and hard weather. [*Docquet.*]

Nov. 15. 76. ——— to Lord ———. Sir Hen. Yelverton's cause occupied three days in the Star Chamber. His accusation was, inserting certain clauses, corruptly and without warrant, into the new charter for the City of London. He pleaded guilty to the clauses, but said it was an error of judgment, and submitted to the King's mercy, to whom he desired to be commended. His Majesty being dissatisfied with this course, the case was renewed. The King's counsel spent a day in aggravating the charges, and on Nov. 10, the Attorney's counsel replied, still pleading error of judgment, but denying corruption or wilful errors. The chief points urged were, that the new charter exempted the citizens from serving at musters anywhere out of the city; that it granted to the city all forfeitures of citizens for treason, all forfeited recognizances, the custody of Bethlehem Hospital, and of 708 houses intended for relief of the poor; that it dispensed with the penal laws for them in certain cases, appointed collection of new fees, &c. He excused himself on the ground that he had a verbal warrant from the King to make the best composition he could between the City and John Murray, and that the city would not compound without a new charter, confirming the 708 houses to them beyond further question. Sir Edw. Coke declared for a fine of 6,000*l.*, the rest for 4,000*l.*,

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and imprisonment in the Tower during pleasure. The Merchant Adventurers, after many delays, are allowed to leave Middleburgh. Arguments on both sides.

Nov. 16. 77. Abstract of the former part of the above letter.

Nov. 17. 78. Answers of Sir Wm. Ayloffe and Sir Ant. Thomas, Undertakers for Draining the Fens, &c., to the order of the Commissioners of Sewers, of Sept. 28. Complain that they are not allowed to see the Commissioners' valuations of the lands, which are greatly over estimated; that their reward is to be at the disposal of the Commissioners for seven years; that the security is insufficient, and that the general dealings of the Commissioners are unfair, &c. Have ridden 10,000 miles, and spent 2,400*l.*, and yet find the country averse to their undertaking, and plotting to compel them to desist. *Annex,*

78. I. *Petition of the Same to the Council, that the cause may be referred to the ensuing Parliament, and meanwhile impartial valuations be made of the fen lands; when, if they are of little value, a proportion of them may be allowed for recovery thereof; if of great value, the King and Commonwealth may have proper benefit therefrom.*

[Nov. 17.] 79. Copy of the above answers and petition.

Nov. 17. Commission and licence to Sir John Suckling, to purchase lands for enlarging his park at Mortlake, as he shall think fit. [*Grant Bk., p.* 291.]

Nov. 17. Grant to John Stuart and others of the tolls and customs arising from any composition with persons or corporations. [*Ibid., p.* 305.]

Nov. 17. London. 80. Chamberlain to Carleton. Recommends the affair of Mr. Salmon, who married the sister of the Bp. of Winchester.

Nov. 18. 81. Thos. Locke to the Same. Hopes Lady Carleton will have a safe passage back. Lady Lake is sent again to the Tower, for writing to the King to complain against the Countess of Exeter, and for blaming the proceedings against herself.

Nov. 18. Westminster. 82. Warrant to the Council to give order for release of Chamberlaine the priest from the new prison, and for permission for him to leave England; granted at the instance of the French Ambassador.

Nov. 18. Grant to Geo. Herriot of the impositions on sugar, for three years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 329.]

Nov. 20. London. 83. Sir Hen. Goodere to Buckingham. Thanks for past charity. Wishes His Majesty to grant him only half of what he has lost in his service; delay would be ruin to him. Pleads the King's promise of relief. Would be glad of one of the many burgesses' places which will be offered to his Lordship.

Nov. 20. Dover. 84. Nich. Knott to Nicholas. Will take order for the payment of Mr. Hill's money. Begs release of the poor Brightlingsea man; for one prisoner that can pay, has to maintain three who cannot.

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Nov. 22. Bishopthorpe. 85. Archbp. Matthew to the Council. Has sent 300 marks as his contribution towards the Palatinate, which is all he is able to spare.

Nov. 22. Mile End. 86. Wm. Parker, Lord Morley, to the Same. Is unable to contribute any thing as he wishes, for the Palatinate, on account of suits with his mother-in law for her dower, and with Sir Hen. Compton for a debt of his late father, and also on account of the detention of his pension for two years.

Nov. 22. Drury Lane. 87. Sir Lewis Lewkenor to the Earl of Pembroke. Begs his influence that he may have 200*l.* of his arrears, to enable him to satisfy the demands of poor coachmen and others who clamour against him. The richer claimants may wait a better opportunity.

Nov. 26. Dover. 88. Michael Tillman to Nicholas. Reminds him of his application for a Gunner's place in Sandgate Castle.

Nov. 27. Grant to John Wall of a prebend in Christ Church, Oxford, founded by Hen. VIII. [*Grant Bk., p.* 306.]

Nov. 27. Grant to Thos. Powell, &c. of the office of keeping the Ordnance in the Tower and elsewhere, in cos. Middlesex and Kent, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 332.]

Nov. 27. 89. Submission of Jas. Maxwell, addressed to the Council, acknowledging and retracting his error in presuming to determine that the kingdom of Bohemia is not elective, and that therefore the recent deposition of one King and election of another is unlawful. Will publish his retractation, if Baron Dona wishes it.

Nov. 27. 90. Power for Peter Danyell, successor of Hen. Delves as Feodary of the County Palatine of Chester, to demand the evidences, &c. of the late Sir Geo. Calverly, and take charge of them on behalf of Hugh Calverly, ward of the Prince, and to enter a schedule of the goods in the hands of the administratrix, into the Exchequer Court of Chester. Indorsed with note of tender of the above documents by Sir Rich. Calverly, on Dec. 18.

Nov. 27. Dover Castle. 91. Nich. Knott to Lord Zouch. Begs that the money he owes to Lieut. Hill may not be stopped from his wages. Requests release of certain poor prisoners.

Nov. 27. Dover. 92. Jurats of Dover to the Same. A fishing boat of the town, driven to sea by a storm, ran on shore near Calais, and the Governor claims two thirds of its value as a forfeit.

[Nov. 27.] 93. Petition of Hen. Sergeant, Wm. Earl, and Thos. Perkins, of Dover, owners of the above-named fishing boat, to the Same, for his influence for restitution of their boat, the loss of which would undo them.

Nov. 28. 94. List of contributions paid by the Prince and a few of the nobility, for defence of the Palatinate.

Nov. 28. 95. Similar list, with one omission.

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Nov. 28. 96. List of Earls, Viscounts, &c. to whom the messenger is ordered by Council to repair, and to desire, in the King's name, their answer touching the contribution for the Palatinate. With brief notes of some of the replies.

Nov. 28. 97. Similar list of Barons, similarly annotated.

Nov. 28. 98. Warrant, by Lord Zouch, constituting the Mayor of Rye and others, Commissioners for the passage at the Port of Rye.

Nov. 29. 99. Sir Fras. Jones, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. Deputed two merchants to inquire into the truth of Rich. Husband's petition by examining his books; but he is loath to lay open his estate, and therefore withdraws his suit for protection.

Nov. 29 ? 100. Sir Dan. Dun to [the Same]. Has examined the proofs, and finds that Maurice Abbot's ship, the Tiger, was assaulted and taken in Feb., 1614, by M. Mintaine, a Frenchman of the Mauritius, and that redress has been repeatedly sought in vain. Thinks therefore that letters of reprisal would not be contrary to the treaty with France.

Nov. 30. Manor, York. 101. Lord Scrope, President of the North, to [the Same]. Has been unable to supply the great deficiency of the trained bands in Yorkshire, which have not been mustered for five years. Half the horse were wanting. Has charged other parties to make them good; but arms must be provided from London, before all can be completed.

Nov. ? 102. Petition of Thos. Berwick to the Same, for release, having answered the complaints against him, by which his enemies induced his masters, the East India Company, to have him committed to Newgate, and thence to the Marshalsea.

Nov. 30. 103. Robt. Bacon to Sir Clement Edmondes. The East India Company are willing to release Berwick, on his giving bail to answer to actions brought against him in the Admiralty Court.

Nov. 30. Suffolk House. 104. Theophilus Lord Howard of Walden to the Council. Will contribute to the best of his ability for the Palatinate, when he sees what his betters will give; but during his father's life, has only his wife's estate to live on.

Nov. 30. Warwick House. 105. Earl of Warwick to the Same. Has lately given 500*l.* in aid of the Palatinate. Would gladly sacrifice his life in the cause; but his estate is so encumbered with debt that he cannot give more at present.

Nov. 106. Earl of Salisbury to the Same. Cannot contribute further for the Palatinate at present, having already given a large sum, and expecting a Parliamentary grant for the purpose soon to be made, to which he will pay his share.

Nov. ? 107. Wm. Lord Burleigh to the Same. Cannot, during his father's life, give what is fitting towards the Palatinate, and is unwilling to give below his position.

Nov. ? 108. Hen. Lord Hunsdon to the Same. Is unable to give more than he has done towards the Palatinate, except what will be required from him in the usual Parliamentary course.

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Nov.? 109. Wm. Lord Paget to the Council. Can give nothing to the Palatinate, being the poorest man of his rank applied to, and endeavouring to pay off great debts to the King.

Nov.? 110. Robt. Lord Spencer to the Same. Can give no more for the Palatinate than the 100*l.* already paid by himself, and the 50*l.* by his eldest son, on the appeal of Baron Dona.

[Nov.] 111. Petition of Wm. Bradshaw to the Same. Details the unjust proceedings of Edw. Turner against him, in prosecuting him on his bonds for a loan to the late Sir Thos. Mildmay, inducing Lady Mildmay to petition against him, &c. Begs permission to return to his country, where Turner injures his reputation. Will provide for Lady Mildmay, if she will live with him, her daughter, and her grandchildren.

Nov.? 112. Petition of Anne Lady Mildmay and her children, to Sir Fulke Greville, that her petition, which was in Sir Clement Edmondes' hands and ready to be presented, may be heard, as Wm. Bradshaw, who was convented for not obeying Sir Thos. Coventry's award, begs to be dismissed, on plea of default of prosecution.

Nov.? 113. Petition of Sir Wm. Armine, Bart., to the King, for licence to go into Lincolnshire on his private business, although he is appointed Sheriff for Huntingdonshire.

Nov.? 114. Petition of the inhabitants of the east side of the river Grant, between Cambridge and Ely, to Lord Chancellor Verulam, to be excused from contracting with the undertakers for draining the fens, their lands being worth 10*s.* to 20*s.* per acre, and not having been overflowed for twenty years past.

Nov.? 115. Answer made to the King by the Bp. of Ely and other Commissioners of Sewers, on behalf of the inhabitants of the south part of the Isle of Ely. Show that the proposals of the undertakers for draining the fens are useless for their district, and beg that they may be excused entering into contract with them, merely because a few landowners have neglected to cleanse their ancient drains, the country generally being well drained.

Nov.? 116. List of law officers who have paid their contributions [towards the Palatinate?], and of the answers of others who have not paid.

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Dec. 1. 1. Thos. Lord Windsor to the Council. Is unable to contribute to the Palatinate, being heir to an estate so decreased and burdened with debt that he has the title without the profits of inheritance.

Dec. 2. 2. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The King is much moved at the taking of Prague, and will at once send off help to the Princes of the Union. Chief Justice Montague gives 20,000*l.* for a Viscountcy and the Treasurership.

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Dec. 2. Charing Cross. Sir Robt. Naunton to Carleton. Chief Justice Montague gone to Newmarket to be ennobled, and receive the Treasurership; the Attorney of the Court of Wards [Sir Jas. Ley] is to succeed him. The Master of the Wards will marry a relative of the Lord Admiral. The Attorney General is displaced, fined, and sent to the Tower. [*Holl. Corresp., Dec.* 2, 1620.]

Dec. 2. Commission to Fras. Lord Verulam, Lord Chancellor, to discover abuses in the unlawful transportation of brass and iron ordnance. [*Grant Bk., p.* 291.]

Dec. 3. Licence to Peter House, Cambridge, to purchase lands and tenements not exceeding the yearly value of 100*l.* [*Ibid., p.* 337.]

Dec. 3. 3. Thos. Locke to Carleton. The Spanish Ambassador has desired a strong guard for his protection, which has been granted. The Lords are sitting about the borrowing of money.

Dec. 3. Faversham. 4. John Philpot to Nicholas. Lord Zouch's letter in favour of Mr. Thurstone received an easy despatch; though the people are factious and grumbling, they recognize superior authority. Hopes for his Lordship's confirmation of the Society of Mercers.

Dec. 4. Monday. 5. Order [in the Common Council of London] for a meeting of certain Aldermen, &c., at Guildhall, the following Monday, to consider the affairs of the City, and for another on St. Stephen's day.

Dec. 4. Dover. 6. Wm. Ward to Nicholas. Will wait for his debt from Mr. Hill; frees Mr. Knott from his promise to pay him the money he owes to Mr. Hill.

Dec. 4. Sandwich. 7. Thos. Fulnetby to the Same. A bond of indemnity in 400*l.* is to be taken for the Lord Warden, from the Master of the Margaret of Scotland. Lord Wotton's men make such havoc that unless some order is taken, few will venture to save goods.

Dec. 5. Grant to Wm. Ramsay of the office of Captain of the forts of Holy and Ferne Islands, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 303.]

Dec. 5. Warrant for allowance to the Duke of Lenox, of 450*l.*, the half-year's rent of French and Gascony wines, payable by the executors of the late Sir John Dackombe. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 5. Discharge to Thos. Phelips for 1,100*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Dec. 6. 8. Commissioners for the Navy to Sir Fulk Greville. The makers of the carriages for the ordnance of the two new built pinnaces, &c. will not deliver them up without payment, which is 80*l.* The victual ships cannot go without the pinnaces to guard them, therefore immediate orders are required, or the service will be much hindered.

Dec. 6. Winchelsea. 9. Mayor of Winchelsea to Lord Zouch. Complains of unfair canvassing in the town for the election of Mr. Amscombe, a lawyer, who is unacquainted with the customs and liberties of the ports. Desires his recommendation of Capt. Berry, of Lydd, or Sir Thos. Finch, who understand the interests of the town, &c.

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Dec. 6. 10. Receipts by the Gunners and others, of Dover Castle, of their year's pay.

Dec. 6. 11. List of contributions paid for defence of the Palatinate since Oct. 4, by sundry noblemen and gentlemen; total, 5,345*l.*

Dec. 7. St. James's. 12. Hen. Lord Danvers to Carleton. Lord Treasurer Montague is created Viscount Mandeville, and Sir Hen. Carey, Comptroller, is to be a Viscount, which makes some persons hope for Carleton's revocation. Wants "one of those singular Anabaptist watches."

Dec. 7. 13. Thos. Lord Wentworth to the Council. Has already contributed according to his ability towards the Palatinate, and will forward a Parliamentary supply.

Dec. 7. Dover Castle. 14. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. Lord Wotton has seized some of the wines in a ship wrecked on his lands near Sandwich. The question of his rights should be settled. Is to be elected burgess of Dover, but must first be made a freeman of the town. A gentleman has landed at Margate, who was at Prague during the battle, and he reports that the King of Bohemia lost but 2,000 men, and still holds the town.

Dec. 7. 15. Bond of Wm. Bonham, John Dade, and John Langham, of London, in 400*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for restoring the cargo of the ship Margaret, of Anderkeden in Scotland, wrecked in Sandwich Bay.

Dec. 7. Grant to Wm. Cutter of the place of one of the King's falconers. [*Grant Bk., p.* 337.]

Dec. 8. Clerkenwell. 16. Edw. Nicholas to Nich. Knott. Urges immediate payment of the 6*l.* which he owes Mr. Hill.

Dec. 9. Sandown Castle. 17. Edw. Horne to Nicholas. Begs the remittance to himself of 20*l.* 15*s.* 9*d.* balance of his pay, which was to be received by Nicholas.

Dec. 9. 18. Information of Jas. Wilson, of St. Andrew's, Holborn. Rich. Lydall said the Spanish Ambassador would never die till he was hanged, and called him the Devil.

Dec. 10. Knowle. 19. The Earl of Dorset to the Council. Was injured by his former large contribution in aid of the Palatinate, and laboured to incite others to give. His weak estate and many debts prevent his giving again.

Dec. 10. 20. Thos. Locke to Carleton. Has told Sir Thos. Lowe Carleton's opinion in favour of Delft, and the Company [of Merchant Adventurers] incline to it. The King gives them leave to remove, if he approve the time and place. Sir Albert Morton gone with 30,000*l.* to the Princes of the Union, and with offers of all the King can do for recovery of the Palatinate.

Dec. 10. Dover. 21. Rich. Marsh to Nicholas. Desires Lord Zouch's letters of nominations for the burgesses of each town to be chosen by him, as, until their election, the second burgess cannot be chosen. Sends a book of collections concerning the Earl of Essex.

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Dec. 11. Dover. 22. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord [Zouch]. Lord Wotton, the Dean and Chapter [of Canterbury], and Sir Hen. Carey, all challenge a property in certain wrecks. His Lordship's rights will be called in question. Asks instructions for their defence.

Dec. 12. Dover Castle. 23. The Same to [the Same]. Has sent for the Deputy of Birchington, who allowed passengers to land without taking the oath. Business matters. The body of Capt. Roper, Lady Mansell's brother, who died at Lisbon, is brought on shore.

Dec. 13. Dover Castle. 24. The Same to [the Same]. Sends certain papers, and has committed the fellow to prison, and also the Deputy of Birchington, who is sorry for unwittingly omitting to tender the oath. A servant of the French King has landed, and posts to London on business. *Incloses,*

24. I. *Robt. Pudner to John Bengo, Mayor of Dover. Sends John Parkinson [alias Clapton], landed from Dunkirk, who refuses the Oath of Allegiance, and two letters found in his stocking. Margate, Dec.* 12.

24. II. *Thos. Coniers to And. Allen. Begs him to deliver a letter inclosed, &c. Has sent money to Mr. Smyth for John Raine. Mr. Burdon is to be asked for the Imitation of Christ, a book which he lent him, and Mr. Kinsman for a book in defence of the mass. Dec.* 4.

24. III. *The Same to Mr. Fetherstone. Begs him to apply to his father for some money for him. Is succeeding well in business. Dec.* 4.

24. IV. *Thos. Apelby [alias Coniers] to Roger Smyth. Begs intelligence of Mr. Morley, Mr. Catesby, and Mr. Raine. Nov.* 24.

24. V. *Examination of John, son of Wm. Clapton, co. York. Was at no English school; has been twice abroad, in France, Brussels, and Douay, but has taken no order. Thinks Constable, now in Dover Castle, is neither priest nor Jesuit. The letters found in his boot were given him by Mr. Parker at Douay; returned home to seek subsistence. Refuses the Oath of Allegiance. Dover, Dec.* 13.

Dec. 13. Charing Cross. 25. Sir Robt. Naunton to [Sir Geo. Calvert]. Yesterday the Lord Treasurer took his oath at York House. The Council are of their former opinion about the suit for ingrossing wills. To-morrow they meet about the preparation for Parliament. Letters from the continent. The King of France expected at Calais. Marshal de Cadenat is to be sent over to calumniate those of the religion, and to propose Mdme. Henriette for the Prince. Difficulty in collecting the contribution for Bohemia. The City would rather give 5,000*l.* from the common stock, than 5*l.* from their separate purses.

Dec. 13? 26. List [by Lord Zouch] of six gentlemen whom he promised to offer to the Cinque Ports for burgesses this Parliament, and of five more whom he promised to place if they failed elsewhere.

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Dec. 14. Newmarket. 27. Buckingham to Lord Zouch. The King would have been glad to have the men whom he recommended placed [as burgesses], but will be content with his Lordship's appointments, not doubting that he will choose persons serviceable to His Majesty.

Dec. 14. Grant to Sir Hen. Montague of the Treasurership of the Exchequer, during pleasure. [*Grant Bk., p.* 301.]

Dec. 15. Lincoln's Inn. 28. John Hollis Lord Houghton to the Council. Has already shown his zeal for the Palatinate by fitting out his son for the service, and still maintaining him there; cannot do more.

Dec. 16. 29. Extracts from the records of Dover, proving admission to the freedom of the town to be customary for those who are to be chosen Barons of Parliament.

Dec. 16. 30. Locke to Carleton. Wagers are laid that Prague is not lost. Sir Lionel Cranfield is resolved to pay Ambassadors. The Lord Treasurer is gone in state to Westminster to take his oath. Sir Fras. Nethersole has not written anything since the Battle of Prague. There are great efforts made to be members of Parliament. Sir Thos. Edmondes and Sir Julius Cæsar were thrown out for Middlesex, because the people could not have free access to Privy Councillors. The King is displeased that the Attorney in the Tower is chosen burgess for Northampton.

Dec. 18. Wrest. 31. Earl of Kent to the Council. Has already given beyond his means towards the Palatinate, and will give from time to time, according to his small means, but excuses himself for the present.

Dec. 18. Aldingborn. 32. Bp. of Chichester to the Same. Gave to Baron Dona above his ability, and being now in payment of his first fruits, begs for some breathing to gather more means, when his readiness shall appear.

Dec. 18. Clerkenwell. 33. [Lord Zouch] to [the Mayor, &c.] of Hastings. Recommends his servant, Sam. Moore, as one of their burgesses for the next Parliament. If he cannot be excused becoming a freeman, a commission must be sent to swear him, as he cannot be spared to go to the town.

Dec. 18. Clerkenwell. 34. [The Same to the Mayor and Jurats of] Rye. Similar recommendation of Emanuel Gifford, an able and worthy gentleman, as their burgess.

Dec. 18. 35. Note of anticipations made on certain heads of the revenue for the years 18 and 19 Jac. I.; total 63,636*l.*

Dec. 19. Pterborough. 36. Bp. of Peterborough to the Council. Will contribute as much as he can for the Palatinate, when he comes up to Parliament.

Dec. 19. Creation of Sir Hen. Montague to the rank of Baron Kimbolton, of Kimbolton, co. Hants, and Visct. Mandeville. [*Grant Bk., p.* 301.]

Dec. 22. Grant to Lionel Lord Cranfield of all alienation fines in Chancery, and other fines, for seven years, for the rent of 1,000 and odd pounds. [*Ibid., p.* 337.]

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Dec. 22. Bridgewater. 37. Examination of Alex. Whillegge, of North Petherton, co. Somerset. Met Edw. Cadwallader at John Harris' house, Bridgewater, and said in conversation that if Parliament tried to expel or imprison Papists, there would be a stir in England, for great men would be on their side; also that his grandchildren would not see Papists expelled from England. Did not say that the Papists would rise suddenly, or that there would be as many on one side as the other.

Dec. 22. Bridgewater. 38. Information of John Harris of Bridgewater. In a conversation with Whillegge, Cadwallader said he hoped Parliament would summon or imprison recusants, and Whillegge replied, that would make as much stir in England as there is in Bohemia; also that there would be as many on their side as the other, &c.

Dec. 22. London. 39. Chamberlain to Carleton. Hopes the Court of Wards will favour Lady Smith, Sir Geo. Smith having died a volunteer in the King's service. Lady Lake is released from the Tower on making submission to Lady Exeter, and giving bond for her appearance in the Star Chamber. A Dutch East India ship is detained at Plymouth, in the Lord Admiral's name. Sir Albert Morton sent to the Princes of the Union, but the medicine may come too late; the Prince has also written to them. The King ordered the Bishop of London to warn his clergy not to meddle with the Spanish match, or other matters of state, in their sermons, but they do not obey. The City think it hard that though their loan of 100,000*l.* is still retained without interest, and a contribution given for Bohemia, another large loan is asked; they compromise it by giving 10,000*l.*, and will sell plate and dispense with their feasts till it is paid. In spite of penury, there is to be a masque at Court this Christmas. The King is coming in from Theobalds, to receive the French Ambassador, Marshal Cadenat, who comes with a suite of 400 or 500.

Dec. 23. 40. Chris. Lord Teynham to Sir Clement Edmondes. Cannot contribute any large sum for the Palatinate without selling his land, or borrowing, having to pay his late father's legacies, and the portions of daughters, from his small estate.

Dec. 23. Canterbury. 41. John Boyse, Dean of Canterbury, to the Same. Is coming to London, and will then pay what he can afford for the Palatinate.

Dec. 23. 42. Return, by John Bond, Messenger, of answers given to him by the Earls of Kent and Salisbury, Lords Houghton, St. John of Bletsoe, Spencer, Mordaunt, and Denney, the Bps. of Lincoln and Peterborough, and Deans of Durham and Worcester, touching the contribution for the Palatinate.

Dec. 23? 43. Similar memoranda of the answers of the Earls of Bridgewater and Warwick, Visct. Purbeck, Bps. of London and Ely, Lords Abergavenny, Peterborough, Danvers, Knyvet and Russell, and the Dean of Ely.

Dec. 23? 44. Similar note of the answers of Lords Say, Chandos, and Norris, the Bp. of Oxford and Dean of Christchurch, Oxford.

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Dec. 23? 45. Similar note, by Hen. Kyme, of the answers of the Bps. of London, Rochester, and Llandaff, and the Deans of Durham, Westminster, and St. Paul's. The Dean of Rochester is sick, and cannot answer.

Dec. 23. Saturday. 46. Submission of Jas. Maxwell to the Council. Retracts his pamphlet, as containing rash and presumptuous words, displeasing to God and the King, and is ready to burn it, if required.

Dec. 24. 47. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. The merchants complain of the contests between Lord Wotton and Sir Hen. Carey, for certain wrecked goods, which were always before considered to belong to the Lord Warden. These disputes prevent the savers going to sea to rescue goods.

Dec. 24. Whitehall. 48, 49. Notes of instructions to the Solicitor General, to draw up a patent to Sackville Crow, for the sole making of iron ordnance for the shipping of the kingdoms, except for His Majesty's service, on condition of his setting unemployed bowmakers to work, keeping the market on Tower Hill supplied, and not raising the price to above 13*l.* per ton, &c. Indorsed, with note [by Calvert], that the instructions were delivered to himself by the King, in the presence and on the motion of the Lord Admiral. Two papers.

Dec. 24. Whitehall. Proclamation against lavish and licentious speech in matters of state, ordering all to exercise "modest and reverent regard of matters above their reach." All who hear such speeches are to report them within twenty-four hours, to some of the Council, on pain of imprisonment and His Majesty's high displeasure, and the first offenders will be made an example of. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 87.]

Dec. 25. [Dover.] 50. Fras. Willisford to Lord Zouch. A French Ambassador has landed with a great train. Has not fired a salute, having no instructions, and declined showing them the fortress. They are entertained as well as the town can afford.

Dec. 26. Dover. 51. Sir H. Mainwaring to the Same. Is not to blame that warrants were not served on the men of Lord Wotton and Sir Hen. Carey. Does not seek the favour of either, but depends solely on his Lordship. It was through Mr. Fulnetby's negligence that it was not done. Protests his fidelity and freedom from corruption. Asks release of the deputy of Birchington, whose error was of ignorance. *Incloses,*

51. 1. *Rich. Marsh to Sir Hen. Mainwaring. Was unable to draw out the warrants for the servants of Lord Wotton and Sir H. Carey, because Mr. Fulnetby sent neither the names of the offenders nor their offences, and yet finds fault that the warrants are not sent. Wishes Fulnetby would give fuller instructions than a mere name on a scrap of paper, because when persons are apprehended, there is nothing to charge them with. Dover, Dec.* 25.

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Dec. 26. Windsor. 52. Lord Howard of Effingham to Sir Robt. Naunton. Cannot contribute for the Palatinate. His father being alive, and his brother having unjustly left away from him his whole estate, has scarcely enough to maintain his honour and pay his debts, but will gladly serve in person.

Dec. 27. Penshurst. 53. The Earl of Leicester to the Council. Cannot contribute to the Palatinate, his debts, after long service at Court, being very great.

Dec. 27. 54. Locke to Carleton. Lord Arundel is gone to meet the French Ambassador at Gravesend. Capt. North has returned, having heard nothing of the proclamation against him. Dean Everard prayed that we might be delivered from the Catholic King, as we are from Catholic bishops, these holidays. The Attorney General is still in the Tower. Lady Lake is licensed to live with her husband at Canons, but must return to the Tower if she do not make her submission next term.

Dec. 27. Norwich. 55. Commissioners for the repair of sea breaches in Norfolk, to the Council. Though their task of repairing the breaches is satisfactorily completed, they are much in debt, being forced, from the opposition of the great landowners to the tax laid on them, to prosecute the work at their own expense. Have erected piers which defend the banks from the beating of the waves, but which were much injured by the last tempest; the want of money to repair them and reimburse themselves, compels them to send in the names of defaulters who will not pay. Complain that their commission is spoken of as a foul business; request the auditing of their accounts, and release from their office.

Dec. 27. 56. Order in Council to the messenger, Rich. Lydall, to repair to certain lords, and bring back their answers relative to the contributions for the Palatinate.

[Dec.] 57. Notes of replies given to the messenger sent to demand an answer touching contributions for the Palatinate by the Earls of Dorset and Leicester, Visct. Montague, Lords Effingham, Darcy, Dacre, and Teynham, Bp. of Chichester, and Deans of Canterbury and Chichester. The Dean of Rochester is dead.

[Dec.] 58. Similar notes of replies given by the Marquis [of Winchester?], Earl of Castlehaven, Bp. of Salisbury, and Lords Arundel of Wardour and Sandys.

[Dec.] 59. Note of replies sent by the Earls of Rutland, Sussex, Northampton, Castlehaven, Salisbury, and Northumberland, and by Lord Spencer, with names of other nobles who were out of town.

[Dec.] 60. Lists of the Nobility, Bishops, and Deans who have paid in their moneys; of those who answered that they have already contributed to Baron Dona; of those who excuse themselves, on account of disability; of those who have promised to pay but have not yet paid; and of those who have made no answer.

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Dec. 28. Westminster. 61. Proclamation for the prorogation of Parliament from Jan. 16 to Jan. 23, 1621.

Dec. 28. Copy of the above. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 88.]

Dec. 28. Guildhall. 62. Cornelius Fish, Chamberlain of London, to Sir Clement Edmondes. The Court desire a special warrant from the Council, as to whom to pay the money now collecting by the City of London towards the Palatinate.

Dec. 30. 63. Locke to Carleton. Proposals of the Archbp. of Spalato to secure the lease of Wraysbury for Carleton. The great danger is lest [And.] Windsor should obtain the King's letters for it. So many offer for it that the prebends will not accept a less fine than 300*l.* The French Ambassador arrived at Somerset House, with a train so large that some of the seats at Westminster Hall had to be pulled down, to make room at their audience.

Dec. 30. Creation of Sir Wm. Fielding to the rank of Baron [Fielding of] Newnham, co. Warwick. [*Grant Bk., p.* 319.]

Dec. 30. On board the Admiral. 64. Sir Robt. Mansell to Capt. John Pennington, of the Zouch Phœnix. He is to survey his provisions, to forbid sailors to sell any portion of their victuals when they come ashore, and to reduce the allowances till fresh supplies arrive.

Dec. 31. Oxford. 65. Sir H. Savile to Carleton. There are two difficulties about Wraysbury, viz., to hinder And. Windsor from obtaining the King's letter for it, and to persuade the prebends to a reasonable fine, 400*l.* being offered by Windsor, and more by others. Advises him to come over about it.

Dec. ? 66, 67. Petition of Anne Lady Mildmay, widow of Sir Thos. Mildmay, and her three children, to the Council. State the injury done to them by Wm. Bradshaw, of St. Dogmells [co. Pembroke], in detaining from them the interest of certain moneys, and refusing to submit to the adjudication of the Solicitor General for their repayment. Request that he may either pay the money, or surrender his land for the debt. Two copies.

Dec. ? 68. Copy of the statements in the above petition.

Dec. ? 69. Petition of Wm. Bradshaw to the Council. Has answered Lady Mildmay's unjust allegations; prays that the wrong his reputation sustains may be righted.

Dec. 31. 70. Sir Julius Cæsar and Sir Thos. Coventry to [the Council]. Find that the late Sir Thos. Mildmay, having wasted a fair estate, left the remainder of it in the hands of Mr. Bradshaw, whose son [Edmund] married his daughter, on assurance of his land for payment of principal and interest; that the assurance made by Bradshaw was faulty, and he refused to pay the interest, the only means of the family's support, and, being sued therefor, failed to comply with a compromise effected by mediation between them. Recommend that Bradshaw and his son be bound to pay both principal and interest.

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Dec.? 71. Petition of Wm. Sanderson [and others] to the Council, for redress against Geo. French, who has levied nearly 1,600*l.* upon them, under pretence of arrears for neglect of suit service to the manor of Tickhill, in the Duchy of Lancaster, no such service being known or demanded in memory of man. His exactions are made on the meaner sort of people, in order to avoid questioning, and he keeps all he gets, and gives in no accounts. He has done the same in other places, so that the poor are oppressed, and the King robbed of his profit.

[Dec.] 72. Note of charges against John Evelyn, for non-fulfilment of his contract with the Commissioners for Ordnance, relative to delivery of gunpowder at the Tower, which he excuses on the ground that the agreement is not ratified.

[Dec.] 73, 74. Accounts, by John Evelyn, of saltpetre received and gunpowder manufactured by him, and delivered to the Tower, since the Earl of Worcester relinquished his patent, Feb. 17, 1620. Two papers.

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75. Nic. Dor. to his loving grandmother, Lady Counst[able?] at Burton. Thanks for her kindness.

76. The Same to his loving Mother. Wishes to have a letter from her, when she can secure a safe bearer; many sent are never received.

77. A. R. [Ambrose Randolph] to [Sir Thos. Wilson], his father-in-law. Reproaches him with sundry breaches of promise, in respect to the manor of Dalmonds, and other money matters. Declines to live with him.

78. Description and valuation of the manor of Dalmonds. Indorsed by [Wilson], "Private letters and business of divers sorts."

79. [Thos. Greene to Father Leander]. Cannot justly be blamed for not obeying the Pope's precept against the Oath of Allegiance, it being founded on manifest untruths. Defends "The New Year's Gift" and its author. Careful proceedings of the University of Paris in condemning works. Only wishes to please the King as far as is acceptable to God. Argues that those who oppose the Oath of Allegiance cannot defend the King. Arguments thereon. [*See Feb.* 26, 1621.]

Bath. 80. H. Percy to [Edw. Nicholas]. Thanks for forwarding his letters.

81. Request from [Gilbert Lord Gerard] that if he die in his intended voyage, the wardship of his son may be committed to his cousin Thos. Lord Windsor, and his brother Wm. Gerard, for fear of the malice of the boy's mother.

82. Answer of Wm. Lord Morley to the petition of Chris. Carus, that he has dealt liberally with Carus, although his service was faulty. Has not held back the rent due to his grandmother, Lady

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Dorset, but only kept it in his own hands when she refused the tender thereof, claiming more, &c.

83. "Particular of the true yearly value of the pre-emption of the tin in Devon and Cornwall, and of the customs and coinage thereof, made and delivered by Thos. Austyn;" being a statement of the oppressions of the tinners by the farmers of tin, who make immense profits; and suggestions for letting the custom and coinage dues, apart from the pre-emption.

84. Petition of the Farmers of Tin to Prince Charles, that he would request the agents of the States and of the Archduke to obtain for them free traffic for tin in their several ports.

85. Petition of Capt. John Bermingham to the King. Has long served abroad, but hearing that the King might need commanders, has hastened home to offer his services; begs that if they are not required, he may have a pass and recommendation to the Prince Cardinal.

86. Petition of Robt. Browne to the Prince, for a lease of Blanches Coppice and other parcels of land, co. Oxford, a lease thereof granted to him by the King not having taken effect, by reason of His Majesty's previous grant to the Prince.

87. Petition of Diego de Castro to the King. His Majesty having promised compensation to all persons injured by Sir Walter Raleigh on the River Orinoco, begs a commission under the Great Seal to the four judges appointed to consider his claim, and speedy despatch of his cause, on which he has already been six months in England. *Annexing,*

87. I. *Petition of Diego de Castro Cortasar to the Council. Has come from Spain to request payment of* 40,000*l.*, *the value of tobacco and other goods taken from Fras. Davila, at St. Thomas's, Guiana, by Sir Walter Raleigh, the King having promised satisfaction from Raleigh's forfeited goods, or from his sureties, for all damages done by him to the subjects of the King of Spain.*

88. Petition of ——ger, the King's Coffer Maker, to the Council, for revocation of their order requiring him to pull down his house standing near St. Paul's Church, or for compensation for the loss, which must otherwise be his ruin. With reference to the Commissioners for Repairs.

89. Petition of Morris Davies to the Same, that Thos. Blunt, innkeeper of the Strand, who beat him so as to maim him, may be compelled to give satisfaction for his support. Was previously injured at the fire at Whitehall.

90. Petition of Jas. Clerk and Rich. Harbyn to the Same, for letters to the Mayor of Hereford to enforce payment of 200*l.*, still remaining due of 314*l.* 13*s.* 5*d.*, allowed to them for expenses in prosecuting the renewal of the Charter of the City of Hereford, a year and a half before.

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91. Petition of Sir Alex. Hume to the King, that his grant of an eighth part of a bond forfeited by Wm. Wall, of London, of which seven eighths were granted to Thos. Young, may not be effected by a mitigation obtained by Wall, reducing the sum to be paid to Young to 400*l.*

92. Petition of the Same and Thos. Young to the King, that as Wm. Wall delays in paying 525*l.*, to which sum his bond for 1,000*l.* granted to them was reduced, His Majesty will allow the law to take its due course, and the whole 1,000*l.* to be claimed.

93. Petition of Sir Robt. Jackson, Controller of the Musters at Berwick, to the Council of War, for increase of pay, the increase of business obliging him to keep more clerks, and all the other officers in the garrison being raised.

94. Petition of John Lescaleitt to the Council, for compensation for his loss of time, as a witness in the Star Chamber, on behalf of the King, against the Merchant Strangers.

95. Petition of Wm. Nicholls to the Same, to examine into the abuses committed by false measuring of wood-coal in London and Westminster, which Visct. Mandeville failed to rectify when he was Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench.

96. Petition of the Same to the Same. Has lost much money in prosecuting venders of fuel in London, and has had three of the City officers who connived thereat sentenced to the pillory, but no reformation ensued; entreats either reformation of the abuses or compensation for his loss of time in the prosecutions.

97. Petition of Rich. Smith to the King, for re-hearing of a cause against Wm. Curriton, Emanuel Langford, and others, for defrauding John Kekewich, deceased, of estates, &c., worth 20,000*l.*, by inducing him to sign them away when he was drunk. The Attorney General having privately heard and compromised the case, His Majesty is deprived of his fine, and the petitioner of 1,000*l.*, his whole living, which he spent in the prosecution, as executor of John Kekewich.

98. Petition of Wm. Wheeler, goldsmith, of London, to the Council, for protection against Ant. and Robt. Patrickson, who have commenced a suit against him, because he, by order of His Majesty's Commissioners, went with an officer to search their house, where gold thread was made, contrary to the proclamation.

99. Petition of the Same to the Same. Their Lordships having considered that he deserved relief from the suit of Ant. Patrickson, but not being at leisure to attend to it, the cause is proceeding by law. Begs that it may be stayed till they can decide on it themselves.

100. List of rates paid for all sorts of woollen cloths, kerseys, baize, &c., for old customs and pretermitted customs, and of goods which are to be exempted from paying pretermitted customs.

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101. Note of the armour in the Armoury at the Tower, Woolwich, and Greenwich, and of the good service performed by making up the Almaine corslets into others of the best fashion.

102. Information for Sir Geo. Calvert, respecting a rich vintner, who keeps Popish books under a church in London; also concerning divers stationers, who, as soon as they hear of forbidden books, such as "Vox Populi," get copies, and hire some young fellows to transcribe them, when they are eagerly bought up.

103. "Vox Populi; or, newes from Spayne, which may serve to forewarne both England and the United Provinces how farre to trust to Spanish pretences;" being an imaginary conversation on the state of England, &c. between the Spanish ministers and Count Gondomar, on his return from his embassy in 1618, [by Thos. Scot].

104. Verses deprecatory of Spanish influence, and entreating the King to aid the Prince Palatine.

105. Tirade against the King of Great Britain, especially for his favouring Spaniards and Scots, and putting down the English and Welsh.

106. Grant to John Carswell, Chris. Stubbs, and Thos. Hutchinson, of the benefit of the recusancy of Thos. Lovedean, of Westmean, and John Parkins, of Bedhampton, co. Hants.

107. Grant to John Berkeley of the recusancy of Sir Edw. Blount, of Worcestershire, Arthur Darcy, of Great Addington, Northamptonshire, John Threde, of Sussex, and Elinor Woodhouse, of Norfolk.

Grant to Edm. Fox, of Ludford, co. Hereford, of the office of Keeper of Brengewood Forest, in Herefordshire. Latin. [*Warrt. Bk.*, I., *p.* 174.]

108, 109. Memoranda relating to certain recusants convicted, suspected, or sought for by the constable; amongst them, Sir Chas. and Lady Manners, Sir Wm. and Lady Berwick, Lady Heneage, Sir Wm. Elvis, Sir Robt. Brook, &c. Two papers.

110. List of grants of leases of recusants' lands, from 42 Eliz. to 18 Jac. I., with names of the grantees, and statement of the value of the lands.

111. Decree, by Fras. James, Auditor in the Audience Court of Canterbury, refusing the appeal of Thos. Bird, against the jurisdiction of John Lambe, in a case of libel, and referring the case back to Lambe.

112, 113. Anagram and odes addressed by Thos. Adlerstein, a German Swiss, to Edw. Nicholas, Secretary to Lord Zouch. Latin. Two papers.

114. Tract, by John Keymer, addressed to the King, on the importance of encouraging manufactures in England, and of increasing commerce by reduction of customs, &c., showing the advantages possessed by foreign nations over the English, in these and other respects, in spite of the natural advantages of England; with suggestions for remedy.

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Whitehall. 116. Instructions to the Commissioners for improvement of Sedgmoor. The cause has been hindered by false reports that the ground is not reclaimed for the King, but for some other person; they are to contradict the reports, and ascertain which of the tenants assent to or dissent from the proposed improvements, that they may be treated accordingly. *Annexed is,*

116. I. *Proceedings relating to Sedgmoor, from Aug.* 1618, *to the awarding of the Commission, and stating its powers.*

117. Instructions for a Commission of inquiry into the waste and spoil committed in the King's forests and chaces, in the counties of Northampton and Rutland; addressed to Sir Thos. Brudenell, and Sir Edw. Harrington, Barts., and others.

118. Articles of Instruction to the Commissioners named in the above Commission; with orders to Sir John Osborne to forward a copy thereof to each.

119. Exceptions against the order made at Goldsmiths' Hall, June 9, 1580, committing the whole government of the company to the warden and assistants, experience having proved it to be injurious. Statement of the abuses resulting therefrom.

120. Opinion of the mint men, merchants, and goldsmiths, as to the necessity of reducing the coins of the realm to a certain weight, and as to what deficiency of weight may be allowed to pass current.

121. Notes [by a Committee of Council] of remedies against the consumption and transportation of moneys; viz., to revive the statute 4 Hen. VII. against melting and selling gold and silver, and to compel strangers to the employment [of money received for imports on exports].

122. Statement of the suit in the Exchequer Court, concerning the right to Thornton Grange, co. Chester, formerly held by the abbot and convent of Basingwark, in Flintshire, granted by Queen Elizabeth to Jas. Witter, but contested by Sir John Talbot and his son, on the ground of a previous grant from the Abbot, &c. to them.

123. Abstract of examinations to prove that Sir Phil. Stanhope was not implicated in the death of a coachman, killed in an affray at Derby.

124. Bill of disbursements by Sir Fulk Greville for the ships Lewis and Peter, bringing them into Yarmouth, and from Yarmouth [to Southampton], with other charges.

125. Notes of augmentations of arms granted by English kings to strangers, since the time of Edw. IV.

126. Statements of the inconveniencies to the subject, and losses to the Clerks in Chancery, caused by the patents for making writs of subpœna, supplicavit, and supersedeas, and by Sir Rich Younge's patent [for sealing subpœnas].

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127. Note of the fifteenth levied on the inhabitants of the precinct of St. Marie Bothaw, Walbrook ward, amounting to 3*l.* 1*s.*

128. Notes [by Robt. Heath], of things to be redressed by the Committees for the affairs of London, viz., false weights; consumption of gold and silver in threadmaking, gilding, &c.; drunkenness; abuses by assignment of debts to the King; by fraudulent executors, &c.

129. Fragment of a bond or certificate, signed by Sir Benj. Ticheborne and Sir Hampden Paulet.

130. Tract on the modes by which treasure is wasted, viz., the export of coin, superfluity in expenditure, especially at christenings, &c., with suggestions for remedy thereof, viz.:—edicts against excess in apparel, &c.; raising the value of coin; making copper moneys; encouraging trade at home by making it free; encouraging fishing; the working of the silver, lead, coal, and alum mines; suppression of beggars, particularly a class called canters, who have a government, language, and religion of their own, &c.

131. Copy of the above.

132. Instructions to Sec. Calvert for procuring His Majesty's letter in the behalf of Sir Fras. Howard and Wm. Lamplugh, to Wm. Keeling, Captain of Cowes Castle, and the rest of the captains of England, empowering them to enforce the payment for the Dungeness light, their right to do which is questioned, because in the patent to Howard and Lamplugh, they were not styled captains.

133. "Some particulars to be put into the letter," viz., that no ship is to pass till it has paid Dungeness light dues, and that strangers, being equally benefitted, should also pay.

134. Depositions of numerous old men resident in the neighbourhood, as to the name and extent of the lands called Lyneham Heath, alias Lyneham Common or Down, alias Sersdon Heath, and of Norbury Hill, &c., with the rights possessed therein by the respective owners and tenants of Lyneham and Sersdon, John Horne and others.

135. Statement that the recent declaration by the King, permitting recusants to enjoy two thirds of their lands, is rendered nugatory by leases thereof being granted to strangers, before the recusants are called in question, or could have notice thereof; that there are severe instructions drawn up by the Attorney General as to their goods, and no reformation made of the abuse of informers and pursuivants, against which the King has declared. [*See May* 13 *and* 14, 1620.]

136. Statement, by Thos. Vaughan, of particulars relating to a Portugal prize from Mozambico, taken by the East India Company, at the time that Sir Thos. Roe came home, laden with gold, ambergris, elephants' teeth, &c.

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137. Petition of divers poor marines and seafaring men to the Council, for redress against the Flemings, who have encroached upon the privileges of native subjects, and engrossed almost the whole navigation.

138. Reasons assigned by the Eastland merchants for the great decay in their trade, viz.: the excessive rise in the value of foreign coin; the engrossing of the trade by the Hollanders, who have much cheaper freights; the increased impositions, especially pretermitted customs on export of cloth, which enable foreigners to sell it more cheaply than the English. With request for respite from the pretermitted customs, till further order be taken therein.

139. Statement of the cause of the great scarcity of silver in England, viz., the rise of foreign coin, especially that of Poland and Holland, during the last four years, in which the Hollanders have farmed the King of Poland's mint; with proposal for remedy, by permitting the free export as well as import of corn, which is now plentiful, in order that the Eastland merchants may buy cloth, exchange it for corn, and then export the corn to Spain, Italy, &c.

140. Statement [by Sir Thos. Wilson] of the inconveniences arising from the want of an exchange in the trade with Dantzic, in corn.

141. Memoranda addressed to the Council of inconveniences from suffering too great quantities of corn to be carried at one time into Spain. Endorsed with suggestions for remedy, by letters from the Council to the Spanish merchants, and from the Lord Treasurer to the officers of the ports, to export no more corn until further orders.

142. Report by [Sir John Wolstenholme and others], the referees on the [Eastland Company's] petition, [to the Council]. The Netherlanders, by cheap freights, &c., have ruined the shipping of the East, and are in danger of ruining that of England, only a third of the former number of cloths being last year exported from London, and half of the petitioners' former shipping employed, whilst 200 Holland vessels are employed in the trade from Norway and the Sound to England, and gain great advantage by cheap freights, and selling for ready money. Suggest a proclamation, as granted to the Levant Company, prohibiting bringing in Eastern goods, except in the shipping of those countries or in English shipping.

143. List of the different commodities imported from the east parts [by the Eastland merchants].

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Jan. 1 ? 1. Countess of Arundel to Carleton. Is among his ancient acquaintances at Venice. Requests news from him, but will not be able to return it, on account of the silence and secrecy of the Venetian State, &c.

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Jan. 1. Dover. 2. Mayor, &c. of Dover to Lord Zouch. The town have chosen Sir Hen. Mainwaring burgess, and also Sir Rich. Younge, commended to them by his Lordship. Would gladly spare the latter the trouble of a journey to Dover to take his oath as a freeman, but have no precedent of an oath being taken by commission.

Jan. 1. Dover. 3. Rich. Marsh to Nicholas. Rye has elected Emanuel Gifford and John Angel, and Hythe, Sir Peter Heyman and Dr. Rich. Zouch, as burgesses. Hesitancy about the mode of administering the oath; advises that the towns do it by commission. *Incloses,*

3. I. *Mayor, &c. of Hastings to Lord Zouch. Have thankfully accepted Sam. Moore on his Lordship's recommendation, though unknown to them. Wish him to become a freeman, if the other ports require the same. Have also elected Capt. James Lasher, a freeman, and one who deserves well of the town. Hastings, Dec.* 26, 1621.

Jan. 1. Sandwich. 4. Mayor, &c. of Sandwich to Lord Zouch. Have chosen as burgesses Sir Edw. Sandys, and also Sir Robt. Hatton, recommended by his Lordship, whom they desire to come over to take his oath.

Jan. 3. Whitehall. 5. Sir Geo. Calvert to Fras. Windebank. Lord Arundel acknowledges the favour of Lord Sandys' choice of him as proxy. The King will grant the wardship of his [Lord Sandys'], heir as he desires, provided, if it fall in, the party pays such fine as is thought reasonable by the Court of Wards.

Jan. 3. Nurenberg. 6. Chris. Loffelholt, of Kolberg, to Lord Zouch. Wishes to thank him in person for favours to his late father, and, having travelled on the continent, to see England; begs his favour and assistance on his proposed visit. Latin.

Jan. 4. 7. Notes [by Sec. Calvert] of a summons to the States' Commissioners to report their propositions to Council on Jan. 5, after which the King will appoint commissioners to treat with them.

Jan. 4. 8. Thos. Fulnetby to Nicholas. Encroachment on Lord Zouch's rights as Warden, by my Lord Carey [Sir Hen. Carey Visct. Falkland's] man; has at last got a warrant to commit him, if he offend further. Gogar, of Sandwich, has unjustly claimed butlerage of wines from a wreck, when the wines were not sold.

Jan. 7. 9. Locke to [Carleton]. Entertainments given to the Great Monsieur of France [Cadenat], at his first audience on New Year's Eve; on the 4th instant, at the Parliament House; and on the 6th, at a masque at Whitehall, where none were allowed below the rank of a Baron.

Jan. 8. 10. The Same to the Same. Lord Doncaster feasts the French Ambassador, for whom 6,000 oz. of gilt plate are set out as a present. Capt. North, who returned from the Amazon River well fraught, is committed to the Tower. Sends certain dogs.

Jan. 8. Dover. 11. Rich. Marsh to Nicholas. Account of a tumultuous election at Sandwich, where Sir Edwin Sandys was first returned, being

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thought to oppose the East India Company, which is injurious to the ports and the whole kingdom. There was difficulty in obtaining the return of Sir Robt. Hatton, recommended by Lord Zouch. The mayor, who forwarded him, was abused, as sacrificing the liberties of the town. Sir Thos. Finch, Bart., and he [Nicholas] are returned for Winchelsea.

Jan. 9. Canterbury. 12. Rich. Marsh to Nicholas. Transmits the returns of burgesses for the Cinque Ports; one copy is to be kept in the petty bag, another in Dover Castle.

Jan. 9. Norwich Castle. 13. Justices of Norfolk to the Council. Certificate in favour of Philip Gould, condemned for horse-stealing, but penitent, as fit to be sent abroad.

Jan. 10. 14. Account of contributions from noblemen and gentlemen towards the defence of the Palatinate; total, 32,361*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, of which 31,500*l.* is already paid away.

Jan. 11. Haverford West. 15. Mayor and Justices of Haverford West to the Council. Ann Dennis, the daughter of English parents, lately married to Hayward, of Pembrokeshire, and resident in their town, refuses to come to church, and pleads exemption from the Oath of Allegiance, as born in the country of the Archduke, whose subjects are by treaty to have toleration in religion. Ask directions thereon.

Jan. 11? 16. Jas. Perrot to Sir Clement Edmondes. Requests, in behalf of the town of Haverford West, that if Ann Hayward's plea be allowed, she may be ordered to quit the town, where no recusant has been known since the Reformation, as her residence would encourage Jesuits and seminaries to come.

Jan. 11. 17. Locke to Carleton. The French Ambassador has taken his leave; he is reported to have "received a round answer about the Protestants." The Lord Chancellor created Visct. St. Albans.

Jan. 11. 18. Thos. Murray to Sir Albert Morton. The great cause cannot be helped, without a liberal contribution from Parliament. Harmony cannot be preserved between the King and his subjects, unless recusants are treated more strictly. Marshal Cadenat proposed a match with France and a confederation against Spanish power, and asked His Majesty to abandon the rebellious princes, but he refused, unless they might have toleration. Sir Edw. Villiers gone over to Germany with assurance of 20,000*l.* to be sent from Denmark, whither Sir Robt. Anstruther is gone to borrow 30,000*l.* more. Minute.

Jan. 12. New Romney. 19. Mayor, &c. of New Romney to Lord Zouch. Have, at his nomination, elected Fras. Fetherston as one of their burgesses, and have commissioned Sir Peter Manwood, elected as the other burgess, and Mr. Thurbarne, to administer the oath of a freeman to him in London.

Jan. 13. Hague. 20. Sir Dud. Carleton to Thos. Locke. Private matters. The Prince of Orange sends two pieces of artillery as a present to Prince

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Charles; has paid 25*l.* for Lord Danvers' pictures; will give 300*l.* for Wraysbury, if it cannot be had for less.

Jan. 13. Whitehall. 21—23. Orders in Council that the Earls of Oxford, Essex, and Leicester, and others, be appointed to sit as a Council of War for the affairs of the Palatinate, and to report on all matters submitted to them, with power to advise with experienced persons. They are to consider the provisions of arms, munitions, ships, money, &c. now needed, the mode of supplying them, and the time when they should be ready. Three copies.

Jan. 13. Another copy of the above. [*Dom. Corresp., Feb.* 11.]

Jan. 13. London. 24. Chamberlain to Carleton. Entertainment of the French Embassy at Hampton Court and Whitehall, where there were some disputes for precedency; at a masque there, a puritan was flouted and abused, which was thought unseemly, considering the state of the French Protestants. Profusion of the feast at Lord Doncaster's house, which cost 3,000*l.*, besides 300*l.* worth of ambergris used in cooking. The Ambassador had a long private interview with the King; it is thought he proposed Madame Henriette for the Prince; he left with a present of a rich jewel; he requested liberation of all the imprisoned priests in the three kingdoms, but the answer is not yet given. The King too weak in his feet to go to Theobalds; he has settled a quarrel between Lord Digby and Sir Geo. Goring. Lord Norris is to be Earl of Thame, on marrying his daughter and assuring his land, to [Edw.] Wray of the Bedchamber. Other creations proposed. Sir Thos. Coventry is made Attorney General. Yelverton is still in the Tower, as is Capt. North, though he has great partners in his adventures, and declares he has done nothing to offend the Spaniards. A Holland ship cast away. With marginal note [by Carleton]: "God grant this be not the arrested ship at Plymouth."

Jan. 14. 25. Note of those persons in Northfleet and Ifield who neglected to send horses and waggons for conveyance homeward of the French Ambassador.

Jan. 14. 26. Similar note of defaulters, for Meopham and Luddesdon.

Jan. 15. Pillingbeare. 27. Sir Hen. Neville to Sir Edw. Conway. Has no news to requite his tidings of the execution in Count Mansfeldt's army. Family affairs.

Jan. 16. 28. List of the Members returned from each county and borough of England and Wales, for the Parliament summoned for Jan. 16, 1621, but afterwards prorogued to Jan. 24 and 30. With a few blanks.

Jan. 16. 29. Another list of the Members of Parliament, supplying several names omitted in the above.

Jan. 16. 30. Declaration by the Lord Chancellor, in the House of Lords, of receipt of the King's Writ proroguing Parliament to Jan. 23, and of His Majesty's intention further to prorogue it till the 30th, on account of his great embassies, and the state of his health.

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Jan. 16. Hastings. 31. Nath. Lasher to Wm. Angell. Sends him some fish, and complains of the great scarcity occasioned by the French fishermen, of whom thirty sail are now in the Sowe.

Jan. 17. 32. Receipt, by Geo. Herriot and Nath. Gheraert, of 1,400*l.*, from Endymion Porter, for a diamond ring, with the King's arms cut in it. Indorsed is a receipt by Sir Rich. Calverly from Endymion Porter, for 666*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, payable on demand, Jan. 16.

Jan. 18. Hastings. 33. Nath. Lasher to Wm. Angell. Sends up more fish, but the French make it so scarce that the fishermen cannot pay for their bait.

Jan. 18. London. 34. Sir John Danvers to ——. Thanks for his favours, and begs him to recommend his kinsman, Mr. Withypole, now gone over with Marechal de Cadenat, to the Ambassador [in France], and others.

Jan. 19. Grant to Sir Marmaduke Darell of the imposition on coals, for twenty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 315.]

Jan. 19. Grant to Sir Thos. Lake of the office of receiving the imposition on coals, for twenty-one years. [*Ibid., p.* 329.]

Jan. 19. 35. Locke to Carleton. Sec. Naunton is confined to his chamber, and suspended. The Earl of Leicester and others are appointed Commissioners to consider about sending men, munition, &c. to the Palatinate; and the Lord Chamberlain and others are to inquire about the disposal of the money collected for that cause.

Jan. 20. London. 36. Chamberlain to the Same. The French Ambassador is gone; he was followed to Rochester for the debts of some of his followers. The King at Theobalds. Sec. Naunton is suspended, and Sec. Calvert ordered to search his papers for secret correspondence with Baron Dona about the Bohemian affairs. The Spanish Ambassador is blamed for his disgrace.

Jan. 20. 37. Locke to the Same. Naunton is said to have given advertisements to the French Protestants. Wright has landed with the hog and the horse.

Jan. 20. 38. The Same to the Same. Lake labours hard to get a place, and offers to marry his eldest son to Buckingham's kinswoman. Has seen Carleton's present [of a hog and horse] to the Lord Chamberlain. Private affairs.

Jan. 22. Creation of Sir John Ramsay Visct. Haddington in Scotland, to the rank of Baron of Kingston and Earl of Holderness. [*Grant Bk., pp.* 304, 321.]

Jan. 22. Patent appointing Robt. Heath Solicitor General, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 323.]

Jan. 23. 39. Petition of John Dawson to the Archbp. of Canterbury, for his allowance, that he may be appointed master printer in the room of Thos. Dawson, his late uncle, an ancient decree forbidding any to be master printers, without allowance from the Archbp. of Canterbury or Bp. of London. With the Archbishop's note of consent.

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Jan. 24. Warrant to Lord Verulam to make out divers commissions. [*Grant Bk., p.* 306.]

Jan. 24. Grant to Geo. Lord Carew, Sir Lionel Cranfield, and others, of licence to make gunpowder. [*Ibid., p.* 287.]

Jan. 26. 40. Jas. Maxwell to the Council. Repeats his penitence and submission for his pamphlet on Bohemia. [*See Dec.* 23, 1620.]

Jan. 26. Cartmel. 41. Robt. Curwen, Feodary of Westmoreland, to Fras. Nicholls. Little service can be done for the Prince, because the freeholders of the barony of **Kendal** declare they hold their lands in soccage, not by Knight's service, and oppose his claim to the wardship of their heirs. The case will come to an issue, Walter Story having died and left an heir under age. Asks directions thereon.

Jan. ? 42. The Same to [the Same]. On the sitting of the commission to inquire into the tenure of the lands of the barony of Kendal, the jury were disposed to consider them as held in soccage; has postponed the decision, and will attend the Prince's Council with the records on the case.

Jan. 27. Creation of Fras. Lord Norris to the rank of Visct. Thame and Earl of Berkshire. [*Grant Bk., p.* 331.]

Jan. 28. Writ of ease to Hen. Viscount Mandeville, from the office of Lord Chief Justice. [*Ibid., pp.* 304, 331.]

Jan. 28. Grant to John Smith of the office of Shoemaker [to the King], with the fee of 12*d.* per day, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 305.]

Jan. 28. Grant to Geo. Westbrook of the office of Ranger in the Forest of Dean, co. Gloucester, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 307.]

Jan. 28. Grant to Sir Fulk Greville of all alienation fines in Chancery, for seven years. [*Ibid., p.* 321.]

Jan. 28. 43. Sir John Stradling to the Council. Did not receive their notice of the grant of the Bailiwicks of Llantrissaint and Dinas-Powis to Alex. Foster, till his office as Sheriff of Glamorganshire had nearly expired, and could not accomplish it. Commends the certificate from the Justices of the county, showing the inconvenience of the grant.

Jan. 28. Margam. 44. Justices of Glamorganshire to the Same. The patents for the Bailiwicks of Llantrissaint and Dinas-Powis have long been found injurious, and are repugnant to the oaths of the Sheriff, to make efficient men of the county his Bailiffs. Pray that the recent grant thereof to Alex. Foster may be recalled or examined.

Jan. 28. Astwell. 45. Sir Geo. Shirley to Sir Thos. Edmondes. The saltpetre men, under colour of letters of deputation from the Earl of Worcester, have injured him and his tenants at Ragdale, Leicestershire, by digging in their houses for saltpetre, contrary to the exception in their patent against disturbing dwelling-houses. Begs his assistance to obtain recompence for the loss, or the punishment of the offenders.

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Jan. 29. Whitehall. 46. Regulations drawn up by the Earl of Arundel, for the order of the procession on the King's going to open Parliament, settling the place and precedence of the different Officers of State, &c. [Copy attested by Wm. Le Neve, Clarencieux, May 11, 1640.]

Jan. 29. Creation of Sir Fulk Greville to the rank of Baron Brooke, of Beauchamp's Court, co. Warwick. [*Grant Bk., p.* 321.]

Jan. 29. Appointment of Sir Jas. Ley, Bart., to the office of Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas. [*Ibid., p.* 301.]

Jan. [30]. 47. The King's speech on the opening of Parliament. Will speak briefly, finding that his former speeches have been turned against him. Describes the constitution of Parliament, the cause of summoning them, and the business on which they are employed, viz., to make laws and reform abuses. As to religion, is of the same faith with his subjects, and ready to defend it by pen and person, but does not like martyrdoms; prefers persuasion. The proposed Spanish match is not to lead to toleration of religion, nor encouragement of Popery. Another cause of calling them is his own necessities. No King has reigned so long and received so little, and yet has spent much for the public good; has been accused of giving away too much; but during two years past, has examined into and reduced his expenditure, by assistance of his young Admiral, who took the burden upon himself, and the revenue is now well husbanded. Another cause of their meeting is the miserable state of Christendom. Has not abetted his son-in-law's claim to the Crown of Bohemia, but has spent immense sums in defending the Palatinate, and in embassies, and will spend his own and his son's blood in the cause. Is willing to reform all real grievances, but not to have them hunted after. This Parliament has been long looked for; hopes it will prove a happy one.

[Jan. 30.] 48. Reply of the Lord Chancellor to the King's speech. Admires its profound wisdom, which leaves him nothing to say but to advise the houses, by their modest carriage towards His Majesty, and their cheerful dealings, to ensure great reputation to themselves and advantage to the country. The House of Commons is to elect a Speaker, who is to be presented to the King on Feb. 3.

Jan. 30. 49—52. Draft of the King's speech, with considerable variations. Four papers.

[Jan. 30.] 53. Speech of [Sir Thos. Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household,] in the House of Commons. The reasons for calling the Parliament are, the state of things abroad, and the necessity of removing any misunderstanding between the King and his subjects. Urges harmony and moderation on both sides. Recommends the choice of Serjeant Richardson as Speaker. With his reply to Serjeant Richardson's answer, hoping that the modesty with which he endeavours to excuse himself from the office will be an additional reason for urging it upon him.

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Jan. 30. Winchelsea. 54. Giles Waters to Sir Thos. Finch. The mayor has borne him malice ever since Sir Thomas was chosen burgess, and has shot his dog: remonstrated with him about it, and was sent to prison; is starved with cold, and entreats the aid of himself or his fellow burgess, Mr. Nicholas, with the Lord Warden, for his liberation. Will give no bail, as it would be taken advantage of against him.

Jan. ? 55. Petition of the Same to [Lord Zouch] to take his cause into his hearing, and meanwhile to order his enlargement.

Jan. 30. 56. Estimate by the Commissioners for the Navy, of the charge of the Navy for the year 1621. Total 29,688*l.* 15*s.* 4*d.*

Jan. 30. 57. Assignations by the Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, of the above-named expenses of the Navy upon certain branches of the revenue, with order to Robt. Pye to take special care that the moneys thus assigned are appropriated to no other purpose.

Jan. 31. 58. Mayor and Justices of Norwich to the Council. Denis L'Ermite, one of the Walloon Congregation, refuses payment of the rate of 1*d.* per shilling on his house rent, levied for the maintenance of Fulk Roberts, the minister of his parish of St. Saviour's, according to the agreement made on the first entry of the strangers, and since confirmed by Council; he also refuses to be bound to answer before Council. Request directions thereon.

[Jan.] 59. Estimate of the charge of materials for repair of the ship Victory. With note of survey of the Dreadnought.

Jan. 31. Grant to Geo. Turnor and others of the office of Masters of Assize of gold and silver in the Tower, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 305.]

Feb. 2. Grant to Walter Pye of the office of Attorney of the Court of Wards and Liveries. [*Ibid., p.* 333.]

Feb. 2. 60. Locke to [Carleton]. Transactions with the Bishop [of Spalato] about the lease of Wray bury. Two persons committed about the printing of a certain suppressed discourse. Sec. Naunton's case doubtful, and Carleton, or Sir Thos. Edmondes, spoken of to succeed him. His misfortune rises from his delivering to the King a letter from Baron Dona, which displeased His Majesty, and in which the Archbp. of Canterbury is said to have had a hand. [Thos.] Scot, who was questioned about a book of birds, in Somerset's time, is suspected of having written the discourse sent [Vox Populi]. The King has declared in Parliament that he and his son will spill their blood for the Palatinate, &c. The Commissioners for the Palatinate say that 25,000 foot and 3,000 horse will be required.

Feb. 2. London. 61. J[ohn] W[oodford] to [Sir Fras. Nethersole]. The French Ambassador has returned after much feasting, but nothing passed beyond discourse. The States General have sent a solemn embassy to consult the King as to whether they should make war, peace, or truce, with Spain, and to offer to join their forces with those of His Majesty, in defence of his children's rights. They spoke loudly and

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audibly, that the people might see their forwardness, and urge on the King. Parliament began Jan. 30, and Serjeant Richardson chosen Speaker. Promotions to peerages and legal offices. Mr. Shute made Recorder of London, and Mr. Pye succeeds Sir Jas. Ley as Attorney of the Court of Wards. Sec. Naunton in disgrace for unwarranted discourse with a person in the French Ambassador's train.

Feb. 3. Dover. 62. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. Thos. Huffam, farmer of the site of the Priory of Dover, under the Archbp. of Canterbury, sets up a new claim of exemption from taxes, &c., on the plea that his premises are not within the liberties of the town, and encourages his neighbours to do the like. Cite precedents to prove that the land has been considered by former proprietors, and by Huffam himself until lately, to belong to the town. Beg his influence with the Archbishop to excuse their proceeding against Huffam, in defence of the liberties of the corporation.

Feb. 3. Sandwich. 63. Edw. Kelk to the Same. Intention of the Commons of Sandwich to present a Bill to Parliament for restoration of their former privilege of having a voice at elections, and for disannulling the late choice of burgesses. The votes were taken away from the commoners, and confined to the Mayor, Jurats, and Council, in order to avoid the popular tumults common at elections. Sends the Orders of Council on the subject, during the late and present reign.

Feb. 3. London. 64. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Thames frozen over; the ice driven into hills on it by the wind. Sir Thos. Coventry made Attorney, Robt. Heath Solicitor, and Shute Recorder, because 700*l.* or 800*l.* per ann. will thus be saved to Buckingham, which was paid them out of Roper's office in the King's Bench. Sir Jas. Ley made Chief Justice, and marries a relation of the Countess of Buckingham; she is providing for her nieces by marriage. The King was carried in a chair to the Parliament House, his legs being too weak to use; his speech lasted an hour, though he commended brevity. Serjeant Richardson wept on being chosen Speaker. Dr. Bowles preached the sermon. Creations of peers by patent, but the Lord Chancellor was created Visct. St. Albans with robe and coronet. The King says his last book is like "the peace of God," for it "passeth understanding." Sec. Naunton is still in suspense, and there are many competitors for his place. The Archbp. of Canterbury was questioned on certain points, and, having given satisfaction, is restored to favour. The States' Commissioners had audience. The printer of Vox Populi saved himself by discovering Mr. Scot, the author.

Feb. 3. 65. Chas. Visct. Wilmot to Buckingham. Begs his favour in a suit concerning his son.

Feb. 4. 66. Sir Fras. Jones, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. Requests licence for more butchers to kill meat in Lent; the three butchers and five poulterers allowed were found insufficient last year, and will be more so now, the city being full on account of Parliament, fish scarce, and the rivers frozen.

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Feb. 5. 67. Locke to Carleton. Naunton retains the seals and his diet at court, but does no business. He was least likely to stumble, being so observant to do all by warrant. Lake's restoration is talked of, for he has his train borne after him in Court, like a Privy Councillor. Sir Jas. Ley went honourably attended to Westminster Hall, to take his place as Lord Chief Justice. Serjeant Richardson was presented to the King as Speaker, when there was a farce acted,—the Lord Chancellor commending him for the office, and he professing disability. Sir Fras. Goodwin's son [Art. Goodwin] served him right in the Lower House, by proposing another election, when he excused himself from standing.

Feb. 5. Monday. 68. List of the committee [of the House of Commons] appointed to inquire about elections, undue returns of burgesses, and the privileges of the House; to sit every Tuesday and Thursday during the Session.

Feb. 5. Monday. 69. List of the sub-committee appointed by a general committee of the House to consider and report on the best means of acquainting the King with the breach made on the privileges of the House.

Feb. 5. 70. List of the sub-committee similarly appointed to consider on the best mode of petitioning the King for execution of the laws against Jesuits, seminary priests, and recusants, and for suppressing them.

[Feb. 5.] 71. Speech by Colonel Cecil in the House of Commons. Danger resulting to England from the ambition of the King of Spain, who aspires to universal monarchy, pushes his arms abroad, and has the connivance of Papists at home; necessity of providing against it by raising forces for foreign service, and strengthening defences at home. The first business of Parliament should be to provide subsidies, before proceeding to consider grievances.

[Feb. 5.] 72. Copy of the above.

[Feb. 5.] 73. Speech [by Sir Thos. Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household] in the House of Commons. Applauds the previous Speaker [Sir Wm. Cope's] declaration of the state of the King's affairs. No time was ever more urgent for speedy steps to preserve religion and the royal issue, and any unhappy diversions would produce miserable consequences; advises speedy assistance against pressing dangers, and assures the House of the King's readiness to give them all reasonable satisfaction.

[Feb. 5.] 74. Speech in the House of Commons, urging that, to remove the unhappy misunderstandings between the King and his subjects, caused by the last Parliament, and to meet the pressing necessities of the times, the House should rely on His Majesty's promise to redress all reasonable grievances, and proceed first to perform what is needful for maintaining the patrimony of his children.

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Feb. 5. Grant to Sir John Croke of the office of Ranger of the Forests of Shotover, Stowe Wood, and Barnwood, cos. Oxford and Bucks, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 287.]

Feb. 6. Creation of Sir Robt. Carey to the rank of Baron Carey, of Leppington, co. York. [*Ibid., p.* 337.]

Feb. 6. 75. Petition of Edw. Harward to Lord Zouch. Was a prisoner in Hythe, at suit of Lawrence Baker, who refusing to consent to his liberation on bail, he made his escape to avoid starvation, for which escape Baker now prosecutes the town. Prays that the cause between them may be settled by arbitration.

Feb. 6. Office of Arms. 76. Certificate addressed to the Commissioners for the Earl Marshalship, by William Segar, Garter, and other Officers at Arms, that Hen. Clere, son and heir of Sir Edw. Clere, of Ormesby, co. Norfolk, suitor for the degree of Baronet, is worthily descended, &c.

Feb. 6? 77. Notes of a proposed law that the punishment of death for small offences be changed to labour on public works for life, or for eight years, after which some trade should be taught the prisoners, and then their freedom restored. Suggestion that wandering rogues and canters should be brought under the same law.

Feb. 6? 78. Proposed bill in Parliament, condemning to servile work persons convicted of petty larcenies, rogues, &c., the punishment of death not deterring from crime, and long imprisonment making men hardened, and leaving them without means of livelihood on their release.

Feb. 6. Tuesday. 79. Note, that the Speaker of the Commons acquainted the House that the Dean and Chapter of Westminster refuse to permit them to receive the communion there, because they were not first asked, and because the preacher was not one of themselves; but that if they would appoint a canon preacher, they might receive the communion with ordinary bread; and that the House rejected the offer, and chose the Temple Church.

Feb. 6. Tuesday. 80. Note of a question whether Sir Hen. Carey, who, after being chosen member for Hertfordshire, was created Visct. Falkland of Scotland, would still keep his place in Parliament, since he could not be a member of the Upper House, not being a Peer of England. No order was made thereon.

Feb. 6. Tuesday. 81. Note for a writ to choose another member in place of [Hen.] Pelham, member for Grimsby, because he is abroad, but not on employment for the State.

Feb. 6. Tuesday. 82. Note, that a minister elected for a place in Cumberland was rejected, and a fresh election ordered.

Feb. 6. Tuesday. 83. Note of Sir Geo. More's report of proceedings in the Committee for Privileges, &c., that John Hollis, second son of Lord Houghton, and Sir Henry Bretton, both Papists, were returned for

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the borough of Gatton, co. Surrey, by the influence of Mr. Copley, owner of almost all the town, though Sir Thos. Gresham and Sir Thos. Bludder were chosen by the freeholders; on which the House declared the former election void, and ordered the return of the other two members.

Feb. 7. 84. Report [by Edw. Nicholas] of the summons to Parliament, the two prorogations, description of its opening by the King in person, Jan. 30, and details of the proceedings of the House of Commons, Feb. 5, 6, and 7.

Feb. 7. Grant, in reversion, to Rich. Johnson, of the office of writing Presentations for the Great Seal, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 329.]

Feb. 7. Rye. 85. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Desire him to forward their suit to Parliament for a grant of the tonnage formerly allowed to Dover, for the amendment of their decayed harbour; also their complaint of the disorderly fishing of French trawlers and of trawlers at home.

Feb. 8. Rye. 86. The Same to the Same. Have reproved Hen. Dann's wife for asking too high prices for her fish from Mr. Angell's servant, and for improper behaviour. The fishermen wish to know whether they may make prizes of those French fishing boats which, though licensed, use unlawful nets, as his Lordship now allows them to do of those that fish without licence.

Feb. 9. Winchelsea. 87. Jurats of Winchelsea to the Same. Giles Waters was sent to prison because he refused either to acknowledge his fault against the Mayor, or to give sureties for good behaviour.

Feb. 9. 88. Sir Fras. Jones, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. In answer to their letters, has given orders for cleansing the streets and lanes of the city, which are encumbered by the extreme frost. Will try to procure an abatement in the price of meat, though it is not as high as in former years. Has sent to order fish to be imported against Lent, but, unless the rivers become open, this will little avail. More butchers' licences are much needed. *Incloses,*

88. I. *Certificate by the Fishmongers' Company to the Lord Mayor of London, of the quantity of salt fish now remaining in their hands. Jan.* 31.

Feb. 10. St. James's. 89. Warrant from Prince Charles to Sir Adam Newton, his Treasurer, for payment of an annuity of 40*l.* to Solomon Mansell, for service.

Feb. 10. London. 90. Chamberlain to Carleton. The eyes of all Europe are upon the Parliament. Doubts were raised as to where they should receive the communion, but St. Margaret's Church was fixed upon. They plead for freedom of speech. The King is coming in from Theobalds. Several members dismissed for false elections. Sec. Calvert began with a speech on the King's wants; supply and grievances will go hand in

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hand, but England is so poor that no one knows how to raise money. Sir Edw. Coke is a chief speaker. The Spanish Ambassador's mass is much frequented, and he so unpopular that he is going to Nonsuch to avoid the fury of the people on Shrove Tuesday. The Prince often sits in the House of Lords. Recorder Shute dead, and succeeded by Heneage Finch.

Feb. 10. Westminster. 91 Decree of the Court of Exchequer, that Sir Ferdinando Dudley shall pay to Martha, widow of Rich. Gravenor, 1,100*l.*, being the balance of 1,200*l.*, which he agreed to pay for her interest in a certain messuage and land in Sedgley, co. Stafford, leased to her by the late Lord Dudley, two thirds of which became forfeit by her recusancy, and were granted by the King to Sir Ferdinando.

Feb. 12. 92. Notes [by Sir Thos. Wilson] of a speech [for the House of Commons], that the question is, whether the back cannot bear the burden, or whether it is unwilling to put forth its strength to bear it.

Feb. 13. Special licence to John Legatt to print a book called Thos. Thomas's Dictionary, for twenty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 330.]

Feb. 13. Grant to Hen. Gibb of two fines of 1,000*l.* each, imposed in the Chancery Court, on Wm. Meggs and Rich. Bowdler, for their contempt. [*Ibid., p.* 321.]

Feb. 13. 93. Detailed report, presented to Council by the Council of War, of the estimated charge of raising and setting forth an army of 25,000 foot, 5,000 horse, 20 pieces of artillery, &c., which will be necessary for the present enterprise; total, 207,736*l.* 7*s.*, and of the expense of transport, ammunition, wages, and provisions, viz., 76,064*l.* 17*s.* 8*d.* per month; drawn up on Feb. 11. *Annexing,*

93. 1. *Schedule of the provisions to be made for the twenty pieces of ordnance, and for other occasional supplies for the army. Total cost,* 4,455*l.* 17*s.*

Feb. 13. 94. Copy of the above report and schedule.

Feb. 95. Copy of the above schedule, dated Feb. 11.

[Feb. 13.] Brief notes [by Sec. Calvert] from the above report. [*Dom. Corresp., Jan.* 4, 1621.]

Feb. 15? 96. [The King to the Speaker of the House of Commons]. Understanding that doubts are entertained as to their having free liberty of speech, requests him to inform them that he neither has intrenched, nor will intrench upon their liberty of speech, in any matters proper for their consultation.

Feb. 15. 97. Speech delivered [by Sec. Calvert], by the King's command, in the House of Commons. His Majesty marvels that further trouble should be taken about freedom of speech, which he has already granted, on Mr. Speaker's request; he hopes that none will transgress the bounds of duty, or, if they do, that the House will take

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upon itself to censure them, having shown itself so dutiful hitherto, and that he may not be troubled with further needless petitions thereon.

[Feb. 16.] 98. Speech in the House of Commons [by a Privy Councillor]. Was one of the deputies who waited on the King last night, to present him with the free gift of the House, which belies all sinister reports. His Majesty was much moved, and ordered Sir Edw. Coke and others to declare and reiterate his thanks, their affection giving reputation to his affairs, both at home and abroad; he also promises all due satisfaction in just demands.

Feb. 16. 99. Locke to [Carleton]. [And.] Windsor would pay for the lease of Wraysbury more than it is worth, but Packer promises to prevent his getting the King's letters for it. Dealings with the Bp. [of Spalato] thereon. Sec. Naunton is expected to be reinstated. The Lower House has granted two subsidies. They expelled certain members for undue elections and for recusancy. Sir Thos. Beaumont summoned for threatening Sir Alex. Carey, and Norris Earl of Berkshire sent to the Fleet, for striking Lord Scrope in the House of Lords. Has spoken with Mr. Bruninx about the ordnance [for the Hollanders]; the House is passing an Act against its export. Both Houses petitioned the King to stay the licence to the Spanish Ambassador to export ordnance, but he refused, as being engaged in honour; they would rather it was granted to the Dutch than to the Spaniards. Sec. Calvert censured in the Commons for his forward speech about contribution. The Houses wish to have the recusants who flock to London dismissed, and talk of inquiring into abuses of the Court of Wards. The Lords who came to Parliament were reproved for entering the withdrawing chamber and Privy Gallery. Mr. Scot, a minister of Norwich, is sent for concerning the discourse [Vox Populi], but he has gone away, it is thought, to Holland. Lord Digby is going in a few days to the Archduke.

Feb. 16. Rye. 100. Rich. Gibbridge to Nicholas. Has lost Lord Zouch's favour through the malicious accusations of his enemies; is innocent of the ingratitude they accuse him of; solicits his protection.

Feb. 17. London. 101. Thos. Murray to Carleton. The Prince has written to thank the Prince of Orange for the ordnance, and will take care that the secret of its invention is not disclosed. The Houses are petitioning the King for a proclamation to banish recusants from London during their sittings, to restrain them to within five miles of their residences, to take away their arms, to prevent their hearing mass at ambassadors' houses, and to allow no Jesuit or priest in prison to go abroad, or to say masses, all which his Majesty says are provided for by law, and therefore the proclamation is not needful; they have given two subsidies, and offer life and goods for recovery of the Palatinate. The King promises freedom from purveyance. The courts of justice are to be examined into.

Feb. 17. Essex House. 102. John Woodford to [Sir Fras. Nethersole]. Proceedings in Parliament. The Commons were framing a petition to the King for

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liberty of speech, when he sent word they should have all the liberty his ancestors had given, and he hoped they would not wish for more. Both Houses have presented a petition for enforcing strict laws against Jesuits and Papists, which the King promises, if they will leave the manner to his discretion. Two subsidies voted at once, on account of the Palatinate, though as a free gift to the King, who promises so to employ them if treaties fail.

Feb. 17. London. 103. Chamberlain to Carleton. Parliament sits closely; two subsidies granted, but no fifteenths, as they press more heavily on the meaner sort. The King has summoned the Houses to Whitehall, to thank them and promise redress of grievances; he has been requested to stay some ordnance which is ready to go to the King of Spain, but he refused, saying he had promised it two years ago, to be employed against pirates. The Prince is almost daily in the Higher House, and has spoken there. Shepherd, a lawyer, banished the House for ridiculing the Puritans. The chief speakers are Sir Edw. Coke, Sir Edw. Sackville, and Sir Lionel Cranfield. The King promises to use the money, as it was given, for the benefit of his children, but refuses to make fresh laws against recusants, because the present are rigorous enough, if enforced, and he is always urging other princes to moderation.

Feb. 18. Doctors' Commons. 104. Sir Geo. Newman to Lord Zouch. The boatmen of Rye have taken four French boats fishing in the Sowe with unlawful nets. Believes the licences which they produce are borrowed from other men, which is a frequent abuse. The legal penalty is forfeiture of the boats and tackling, a fine of twelve crowns on the master, and six crowns on each of the crew, with payment of costs of capture.

Feb. 20. Winterbourne. 105. Susannah Nicholas to her son, Edw. Nicholas. Family affairs. Hopes to see him at home this Lent.

Feb. 24. 106. Locke to [Carleton]. Sir Edw. Harwood promises to have the House moved about the ordnance. Burlamachi will furnish the 300*l.* if it cannot be had elsewhere. Sir Giles Mompesson's patent for inns is dashed, and was found full of abuses. Sir Fras. Michell was sent on foot and bareheaded to the Tower, on account of his patent for alehouses; he is a justice of Middlesex, and had a salary of 40*l.* a year from Newgate prison, on condition of sending all his prisoners there. The King refuses fresh laws against recusants; the Bp. of Durham was their friend in the Lords. Lord Scrope reconciled to the Earl of Berkshire, who is released. An imperial ban out against John George the elder, Marquis of Brandenburg, Prince Christian, of Anhalt, and the Count of Hohenlohe. Lord Digby is going to the Archduke, to whom the King of Spain refers the answer about Spinola.

Feb. 24. 107. Names of the butchers of London licensed by the Lord Mayor and others to kill meat during Lent, total sixteen. With memorandum that notices are come of fifty-eight who kill unlicensed.

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Feb. 24. Venice. 108. Countess of Arundel to Sec. [Calvert]. Is glad of Lord Falkland's honours. Hopes the Parliament will give the King satisfaction, and that the message sent by his Majesty to his daughter and son-in-law may take effect.

Feb. 26. 109. Thos. Greene to —— Leander, Vicar General of the Spanish Congregation, and President of the English Congregation, at Douay. Is not able to leave England, as required, being in custody, and having promised his keeper, who grants him special privileges, not to attempt an escape. Is accused of taking and defending the Oath of Allegiance; contends that his opinions thereon touch no vital point of faith. Attributes Leander's sending for him home to a desire to enlarge his own authority, but will come if he can, on promise to be well treated, in spite of his opinions on the Oath of Allegiance. Some lay Jesuits and many secular priests take and defend it; [Roger] Wodrington's doctrine concerning it. Has not cost his brethren labour and expense to convince him, as reported, for none but Geo. Cocks have been to see him. Is said to be a spy of government, but the Bp. of Durham can testify his efforts in behalf of Catholics; lives sparingly, as does Mr. Preston; was not induced by Preston to promise to make acknowledgments to the Bp. of Durham; is a Catholic, and wishes an end of his controversy with Leander.

Feb. 26. Rye. 110. Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Request him to appoint Mr. Palmer, their Mayor, to solicit their business before Parliament, instead of Mr. Gibbridge, chosen by some factious freemen, though accused of many crimes.

Feb. 26. 111. Information given by Edw. Cadwallader. Heard Alex. Whellegge say, that if Parliament moved against recusants, there would be as great a stir as in Bohemia, for they would rise, and there would be as many on one side as the other. Went for a constable to take him up.

Feb. 26. 112. Examination of Alex. Whillegge. What he said of the rising of Papists was only his private opinion that they would rise rather than be sent to gaol. Knows of no concerted rising, nor referred to any person in particular, when he said that great ones would favour them. His expression "God *defend* a man should do the King wrong," meant "God *forbid*;" is a Churchman, not a Romanist, and will take the Oaths of Allegiance and Supremacy.

[Feb. 26]. 113. Abstract of the bill for the relief of distillers of Aqua vitæ from the penalties and impeachments of the Apothecaries' Company, who avail themselves of some words in their patent to threaten the suppression of distillers.

Feb. 26. Monday. 114. Bill for the relief of the distillers and sellers of Aqua vitæ, aqua composita, &c.

Feb. 26. 115. Substance of the bill for confirmation by Parliament of a decree in Chancery, relating to the estates and customs of the Prince's

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tenants of Richmond Fee and Marques Fee, in the barony of Kendal; with reasons why the tenants require its confirmation.

[Feb. 26.] 116. Copy of the above, with a slight omission.

Feb. 27 ? 117. Request concerning Sir Giles Mompesson that the King would acquaint the House of Commons with the money he has received on account of the patent for inns, and would also advise them to proceed in the discovery of grievances, but not to fall upon the persons of men.

[Feb. 27.] 118. Note that in the bill before Parliament, preferred by the Trinity House against Norfolk lighthouses, there is a clause which may involve that at Dungeness, Kent, although erected with their consent and that of the merchants, 1,000 persons having perished there for want of light, the year before its erection. *Inserting,*

118. 1. *Order in Council recommending the grant to Sir Edw. Howard of a patent for the erection of a lighthouse at Dungeness, to be maintained by voluntary contributions of merchants. May* 31, 1615.

[Feb. 27.] 119. Copy of the above note, and order.

[Feb. 27.] 120. Proposed act for confirming to the Trinity House the power of erecting lighthouses, granted them by the statute of 8 Eliz. [cap. 13], and enlarging it so that no other person shall be allowed to erect them.

Feb. 27 ? 121. Statement made in Parliament on behalf of the patentees for Winterton lighthouse, explaining the nature of the patent, and vindicating its necessity, from the neglect of the Trinity House in erecting and maintaining proper lighthouses on the coast. *Annexed is,*

121. 1. *Calculation of the average rates paid for the lights at Winterton, from* 1613 *to* 1618, *as compared with those paid to the patentees,* 1619 *and* 1620, *and of the expenses of maintaining the lighthouses; with arguments in vindication of the patent, and against the proposed act to confirm the lighthouses to the Trinity House.*

Feb. ? 122. Robt. Salmon to [Carleton ?] Sends an estimate of the value of the ordnance, &c. in his ship, the cost of repairing the damage done to it in fight, &c.; total loss 1,116*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* Hopes for restitution, having spent three winters in the suit.

Feb. 27. London. 123. Chamberlain to the Same. Salmon and his son are surprised with the offer of the States of 3,000 guilders for the whole contents of their ship, worth 4,000*l.* at least, they wishing only to compound for the ordnance, &c. which belonged to them. The States grow unpopular, through their perpetual injustice and insolencies towards their best friends. Carleton's endeavours to smooth down matters

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are misinterpreted. The King is gone to Theobalds, though too lame to walk. The House received the communion at St. Margaret's, and Dr. Usher, now Bp. of Meath, preached the sermon. They are attacking divers patents. Sir Giles Mompesson has submitted so humbly, promising to discover secrets, &c., that he is likely to escape. The referees who certified the legality of the patents are glanced at, but are chiefly above the reach of the House; they attempt so much that they will accomplish little. Death of Sir Hen. Portman, Bart., of Somersetshire, and of Sir Sebastian Harvey. The King suppressed an intended petition of the younger barons for precedence over the Scottish and Irish Viscounts, and scolded the movers in it, but afterwards dismissed them graciously.

Feb. 27. 124. Edw. Wymark to [the Council]. Drew Drury was the person from whom he heard that Sir John Sames had written out of Germany, to the discredit of Sir Rich. Weston, the King's Ambassador there; repeated it to none but Sir Ant. Maney, who is Weston's agent in his absence.

Feb. 27. Rye. 125. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Thanks of the Rye fishermen for his Lordship's bounty to those who took the Frenchmen fishing with unlawful nets. *Inclose,*

125. I. *Depositions of Chas. Burdone and Fras. Basselie, of Creil, in Normandy. Their masters, Charles Pollet and Stephen Grove, paid* 15*l. to Rich. Gibbridge for fishing licences, and Grove told them they might then fish with what nets they pleased; but that if they were taken, they must show their licences to none but Gibbridge, who would free them again. Rye, Feb.* 23.

Feb. 28. Whitehall. 126. The Council to the Same. The state of Christendom requiring the kingdom to be put in readiness for defence, he is to muster all the forces in his lieutenancy of the Cinque Ports, and to fulfil former orders concerning the furnishing, training, &c. of the bands.

[Feb. 28.] 127. Petition of Geo. Copper to the Same, for release from prison, where he is detained by Thos. Elfick, as being one of the recognizances on behalf of Lady Gratwick and her sons, although an injunction was issued staying proceedings against the recognizances. Has offered bail, but refused to enter into a bond in 200*l.* Is a chief witness in the cause of Thos. Gratwick, which is just about to be tried.

Feb. 28. 128. Draft of the above.

Feb. 28? 129. Certificate by Sam. Hide, Bailiff of Seaford, to [the Same], that Geo. Copper was twice offered release if he would put in pledges, but that he refused.

Feb.? 130. Answer addressed by Thos. Elfick to the Same, on Geo. Copper's petition. Arrested him not on his recognizance for

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Thos. Gratwick, but on a suit for some of his own goods which are in Copper's hands, and detains him on that suit and on one of Mr. Page. Is willing to release him on good security, but knows of none such offered; never demanded a bond of 200*l.* The Gratwicks resident in London got up this petition, and much trouble the town of Seaford.

Feb. 28. Whitehall. 131. Hen. Visct. Mandeville to the King. Thinks the recompence for Sir Geo. More, on surrender of his fee of 100*l.* per ann. as Chancellor of the Garter, should be 1,000 marks, to be raised by a lease for forty years of Crown lands, worth 45*l.* per ann.

[Feb. 28.] 132. Petition of Edm. Piers, Messenger of the King's Chamber, to Sir Geo. Calvert, for remuneration for the fifty-eight days during which he has been employed in attendance on Sir Robt. Mansell, for the expedition against pirates.

[Feb. 28.] 133. Heads of articles of a bill for prevention of duels and private combats.

Feb.? 134. Petition of Thos. Newton, prisoner in the New Prison, to Sec. Calvert. Has languished four years from bruises, &c. caused by the ill-usage of Aquila Wykes, [the Keeper]. Has been thirteen weeks in his present dungeon without fire or air. Begs release on good security, to recover his health and attend to the portions of his daughter-in-law and other orphans depending upon him.

Feb.? 135. Petition of the Company of Grocers of London, and of some Apothecaries, to the House of Commons, for revocation of the patent separating the apothecaries from the grocers, and incorporating them, with the sole privilege of selling drugs, compounding receipts, or distilling waters, within seven miles of London, the patent being procured by indirect means, containing several illegal clauses, proving injurious to the Grocers' and other Companies, and to the vendors of distilled waters, and raising the prices of drugs. The late Lord Chancellor Ellesmere refused to seal the patent as long as he lived, but it was done by the present Lord Chancellor. *Annexing,*

135. I. *Details of the objections against the above-named charter.*

Feb.? 136. Mary Lady Lake to the Council. Thanks for the liberty of the Tower, but prays leave to reside at her own house, on bond for her appearance, she and her husband being both ill. Is willing to make her submission the next term, but the term is still far off.

Feb. 137. Account of silver bullion disgrossed and drawn by Wm. Lecham, and sold by Robt. Jenner, since Oct. 27, 1617. Total, 6,779 lbs. 4 oz. 17 dwts.; value, 24,405*l.* 16*s.* 4*d.*

Feb. 138. Petition of the Welsh members of Parliament to the King, for permission to bring in a bill for repeal of a clause in the Act 34 Hen. VIII., empowering the King to enact or alter laws for Wales at his pleasure, without authority of Parliament; such a

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proviso, inserted whilst the Government was untried, being no longer necessary.

Feb. ? 139. Petition of the attendants, &c. of His Majesty's chapel to Lord Chamberlain Pembroke, to mediate with the King for his remission to them, according to custom, of the payment of such subsidies as shall be levied by this present Parliament.

Feb. ? 140. Petition of the Brewers' Company of Gloucester to the Council, that being already incorporated, with proviso of submission to any future orders for regulation of common brewhouses, they may enjoy the benefit of their grant, on their submission to His Majesty's late directions for brewhouses.

Feb. ? 141. Petition of the Parishioners of Bolton-upon-Swale to Sec. Calvert, Knight of the Shire for Yorkshire, to obtain for them by aid of Parliament the separation of their rectory from that of Catterick. Relate the grievous spiritual destitution of their district resulting from non-residence, and their ineffectual efforts to obtain redress.

Feb. 142. Agreement between the Commissioners of the Navy and Wm. Burrell, for building two new ships of war, of 650 and 250 tons, at the cost of 8,575*l.*

Feb. ? 143. Certificate [by the Commissioners of the Navy] of the charge for wages, &c. of the crews of six of the King's ships to serve in the Straits against the pirates of Algiers, from Feb. 5, 1621, to Sept. 30, 1621; total, 7,554*l.* 15*s.*

Feb. ? 144. Suggestions of alterations in Sir Robt. Mansell's commission, in case he remains six months longer on the [Pirates'] expedition, and of fresh supplies that will be required, &c.

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March 1. 1. Rich. Chester and others to [the Commissioners of the Navy?] Certify that the cordage in His Majesty's ropeyard at Woolwich and Deptford is strong and well made, and the hemp in store as good as any that usually comes from Poland.

March 2. Theobalds. 2. Petition of the Corporation of Great Yarmouth to the King, to consider the certificate of the Bp. of Norwich and others, on their former petition to be allowed 3*d.* per acre for twenty-one years from certain marsh lands benefitted by the haven of Yarmouth, and 1*d.* per ton on imports and exports at their haven, in consideration of their great charges in keeping up the haven, piers, and harbours.

March 2. Paris. 3. M. Montigny, Governor of Dieppe, to Lord Zouch. Requests, on behalf of the Duc de Longueville, Governor of Normandy, and owner of Dieppe, the liberation of four fishing boats of Dieppe, arrested by the men of Rye, although fishing with licences. The

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English receive every courtesy at Dieppe in their trade, but it is not returned. French.

March 2. Dover. 4. Certificate by the Commissioners for Passage at Dover, that twenty-two Jesuits and priests, named, from the New Prison, London, and Ant. Whithair, prisoner at Dover, were all shipped for Calais, by warrant from Council.

March 2. Westminster. Warrant for advance of 1,287*l.* 10*s.* to Sir Rich. Morrison, for 1,000 muskets and 330 suits of armour, to be made according to the patterns shown by the Commissioners for recovery of the Palatinate. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 32.]

March 2. Westminster. Grant to Rich. and Milo Dodson, of Goodmanham, and Godfrey Marshal, of Allerton, all co. York, and to Rich. Davies, of the City of York, of pardon, for forcibly taking Jane Spink from Heworth, and marrying her against her will to Rich. Dodson. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 33.]

March 3. Westminster. Warrant for payment of fees and allowances to Thos. Greene, Yeoman of the King's race of Cowsfield and West Park within the lordship of Malmesbury, co. Wilts, for himself, three servants, and the farrier of the studs; with 26*s.* 8*d.* additional for every colt brought up by him for the King. [*Ibid., No.* 34.]

March 3. Proclamation for the apprehension of Sir Giles Mompesson. [*Grant Bk., p.* 333.]

March 3. Seaford. 5. Certificate of Thos. Gratwick and other inhabitants of Seaford, that Geo. Copper is a man of good character, that his affairs urgently require his release, that Thos. Elfick refused to release him on two bonds in 100*l.* each for his appearance, and required bonds of 200*l.*

March 3. 6. Locke [to Carleton]. Private affairs. The Parliament finds grievances enough to last them a year. Sir Giles Mompesson has escaped from the serjeants who had him in charge; the matters against him were so hateful that his neck was in danger. The courts of justice are to be looked into; the Master of the Wards confesses some abuses in his court, but complains of more in the Chancery, especially Bills of Conformity. Some of the greatest officers complained to the King of the boldness of the Lower House, when a member who was present said, that they best defended the King's prerogative who tried to preserve it against vermin that would destroy the commonwealth.

March 4. Westminster. Grant to Hugh Awdley, of London, of pardon for all offences against the Statutes of Usury. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 36.]

March 5. Westminster. Warrant for installation of the first fruits of the see of Winchester, granted to Bp. Lancelot Andrews, Dean of the Chapel Royal; rated at 2,873*l.* 13*s.* 10¾*d.*, and to be paid in four years. [*Ibid., No.* 37.]

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March 6. Westminster. Grant to the Brown-bakers of London of incorporation, with proviso of its not being prejudicial to the government of the City. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 38.]

[March 6.] 7. Brief of a bill to make void a decree in Chancery, in the case of Rich. Bowdler and Wm. Meggs v. Geo. Morgan, and to confirm a previous award of arbitration between the parties, made on petition of Bowdler; the arbitrators having decreed that Morgan was indebted to him 579*l.* 6*s.*, Morgan appealed against their decision, and the case was referred to two masters in Chancery and others; but as they would receive none but written depositions, Bowdler could not prove his cause, and was brought in indebted to Morgan 7,486*l.* 1*s.* 10*d.*, and Meggs, who lent him his credit, was pronounced to be his partner, and liable for the debt also. *Annexed is,*

7. 1. *Statement of the transactions between Geo. Morgan, plaintiff, and Rich. Bowdler and Wm. Meggs, Wm. Turner, Thos. Jones, Sir John Bourchier, and others, defendants, giving an abstract of all their proceedings in reference to the farming of the alum works, since* 1609, *with Morgan's request for confirmation of the decree in Chancery, Bowdler's objections thereto, &c. Printed.*

March 6. 8, 9. Certificate of the Butchers who are licensed to kill flesh this Lent, in London, being eighteen in number, with list of seventy-two who kill without licence, and note that twenty others are suppressed. Peter Sweeper, of St. Clements, and Rich. Carpenter, being in the liberty of the Duchy of Lancaster, plead exemption from the jurisdiction of the Council; the former professes to have a licence from the Chancellor of the Duchy. Two papers.

March 7. 10. Article [to be inserted in the bill] for the enclosure [of commons], with the reasons for its insertion.

March 7. 11. Statement of a project for conveying intelligence into besieged towns and fortresses, and receiving answers therefrom under conditions specified; signed by Fras. Godwin, Bp. of Hereford, and Thos. Godwin.

March 7. Westminster. Warrant to Abraham Jacob to pay, out of the moneys in his hands for French and Gascony wines for the household, 443*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, to the executors of the late Sir John Dackombe, as part of 833*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* advanced by Sir John for the King's service. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 39.]

March 8. Westminster. Warrant to the Receiver of Essex to pay 40 marks per ann., and 40*l.* arrears, to Robt. Barefoot, as Woodward of Chapel Hainault and Eastholt, in Waltham Forest, the forest, with the manor of Barking, being conveyed to the Prince. [*Ibid., No.* 40.]

[March 8.] Docquet of the above.

[March 8.] Grant to Walter Kirkham of licence to travel for three years. [*Docquet.*]

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[March 8.] Grant to the Bp. of Hereford of dispensation to be absent from Parliament. [*Docquet.*]

[March 8.] Presentation of Walter Curle, King's Chaplain, to the deanery of Lichfield. [*Docquet.*]

March 9. Westminster. Grant to Sir Thos. Holt, Bart., of pardon, for enclosing highways, near Birmingham, co. Warwick, to enlarge his parks; also licence to retain the same, on condition of maintaining and repairing other highways in lieu of those inclosed. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 41.]

March 10. Winterbourne. 12. Mat. Nicholas to his brother, Edw. Nicholas. Has at length ventured on the cure of souls, and has been inducted by Mr. Sprat and Mr. Evelyn, &c. Their mother wishes Edward were married. Private affairs.

March 10. London. 13. [Chamberlain to Carleton.] Lord Mordaunt has taken the communion, wishing to marry Lady Effingham's daughter. Grand christening of the Lord Treasurer's daughter. Sir Edw. Conway and Sir Rich. Weston are returned, having done no good, and Lord Digby is not expected to fare better. Sir Robt. Mansell and his fleet have done nothing but negociate with the pirates of Algiers for the liberation of some slaves. They had many discourtesies in Spain, but those things are dangerous to speak of. Ward, a preacher of Ipswich, was imprisoned for painting pictures of the Spanish fleet in 1588, the Gunpowder Treason, &c.; another man, for writing a treatise on the intermarriages with the House of Austria, and Dr. Everard, reader at St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, for preaching against the Spanish match, and the cruelties of Spaniards. The ordnance to be exported to Spain lies still in the river, because no mariners will conduct it, or because Dutch vessels are waiting to intercept it. Escape of Sir Giles Mompesson, whose anagram is "No Empsons." The Prince and Lords promise all assistance for his apprehension; the ports are guarded, and a proclamation out against him. Buckingham declared in the House that he had no hand in these matters, but that the blame rested with the referees, who testified the lawfulness of the patents. Discussions on grievances. Sir Edw. Coke is the best speaker, but Sir Dud. Diggs spoke well. The King has been to day to the Parliament; he disapproves Coke's speeches and precedents. The truce between the States and Spain is expiring, but, though both parties talk loudly, both would be glad to renew it, if they knew how. The Lords have punished two serjeants of the counter for arresting a gentleman of the Earl of Oxford. The Bp. of London very ill.

March 11. London. 14. Archbp. of Spalato to the King. Fears the summer heat, and has been waiting his return to town to obtain leave of absence. Much grieves that His Majesty is detained away by sickness, and therefore writes for leave to go out of town. Latin.

March 12. 15. Locke to [Carleton]. Sir Albert Morton has returned sooner than expected, being hastened home by the Princes of the Union, but has not had full audience, and will be questioned why he did not take

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leave of the Spanish Ambassador before he went. The King came to the Parliament on Saturday, and made a long speech, throwing the whole blame of the grievances on the referees, who will be attacked, if the Lower House have courage; he refuses to meddle with the speeches in the Lower House, saying they are 400 kings, to say what they will, and he but one. The clergy have granted three subsidies at 4*s.* in the pound. The Lower House have examined the Attorney General in the Tower, and he has confessed some odious things.

March 12? 16. Statement of the manner in which the King is defrauded of his revenue from recusants, with propositions to command the Clerk of the Pipe, Sir Hen. Spiller, and others, to bring in the accounts of recusants' fines, &c. for ten years past.

March 12. Dover. 17. Jas. Hugessen, jun., to Lord Zouch. Wreck of the Ark Noah, a large Hamburg ship, laden with sugar, spices, coin, &c., on the Godwin Sands. Can do nothing with the goods, having incurred his Lordship's displeasure. Begs a hearing against Mr. Brames' scandals.

March 13. 18. Thos. Fulnetby to the Same. Particulars of the Hamburg vessel wrecked on Godwin Sands. Keeps the money saved till he hears from his Lordship.

March 13. 19. Justices of Westminster to the Council. Have taken notice of the qualities and residences of recusants in Westminster, but none are confined, nor any licensed, except Hum. Packington.

March 13. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Rich. Harrison, Keeper of Battels Bailiwick in Windsor Forest, 100 marks, for making a brick head to Inglemore Pond. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 44.]

March 14. Cowdry. 20. Visct. Montague to the Council. Excuses the non-attendance of his son on their summons, on account of ill health. Fears he will fall into a consumption.

March 14. 21. Estimate [by the Commissioners of the Navy] of the expense of furnishing the Assurance and Nonsuch, to serve on the Narrow Seas, for three months. Total 5,002*l.* 16*s.* 3*d.*

March 15. Deal. 22. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Nicholas. Sends the inclosed to be delivered with speed. *Incloses,*

22. 1. *The Same to Lord* [*Zouch*]. *The money from the wreck is about* 4,000*l. Mr. Fulnetby keeps it safely in Deal Castle, and will not allow him to take it to Dover, without his Lordship's special warrant. Begs that Fulnetby may be ordered to obey him, as a serjeant should a lieutenant. Forty casks of cinnamon and four bags of pepper were saved. Deal, March* 15.

March 15. Westminster. Grant to Lionel Batty of the goods and chattels of Hen. Boughton, forfeited for felony and for manslaughter of Sir John Whitbrook. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 45.]

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March 15. Westminster. Grant, with survivorship, to Sir And. Boyd, and Mary his wife, of an annuity of 500*l.*, in consideration of services. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 46.]

March 15. Special licence to Clare Hall, Cambridge, to purchase lands, not exceeding the yearly value of 300*l.* [*Grant Bk., p.* 337.]

March 16. 23. Petition of Robt. Geymer, Comptroller of Customs, co. Sussex, to the King, for release from the Fleet, being committed for suffering the exportation of iron ordnance under a forged Privy Seal. Is more than sixty years old, and has held his place many years without reproach, save for this fault of ignorance. With order thereon, that the recognizances of his surety being forfeited by his misdemeanor, he be sued, and the money paid to John Murray.

March 16. Notes [by Nicholas] of proceedings in the House of Commons, March 14 to 16. [*Dom. Corresp., vol.* CXXV., *No.* 1.]

[March 17.] 24. Abstract of the Act [proposed] for avoiding the return of insufficient jurors, showing the abuses of the present system, by undue returns of freeholders, bribery of sheriffs' officers to procure exemption, intrusion of low or interested persons into juries, &c., proposing their remedy by a general registration of freeholders, by an assessment upon all to pay the expenses of such as are called on to become jurors, and by election of jurors by lot.

March 18. 25. John Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Does not much like Mr. Ludlow's proposal of marriage for him; though it be to noble blood, there will be nothing given. Has had 1,000*l.* offered for the match from a person of his own rank. *Incloses,*

25. I. *Hen. Ludlow to John Nicholas. Proposes to match one of his daughters with* [*Edw.*] *Nicholas, he being free from the licentiousness of the age. Will portion her to the best of his ability, &c. Cadley, Feb.* 23.

25. II. *The Same to the Same. Would not have proposed the match had he known that Nicholas was in treaty with another. His daughters shall come beggars to no man.*

March 19. 26. Lord Chief Justice Montague and Sir John Dodderidge to the Council. Thinks that the ordinances of the tailors and clothworkers of Ipswich are injurious to the liberties of the subject, the usages of the town, &c. Have drawn up new ordinances, with consent of all parties, correcting these faults, and inserting reformations formerly recommended by their Lordships. *Inclose,*

26. I. *Proposed ordinances for the above company, viz., that none be admitted but freemen of the town; that persons nominated by the bailiffs examine the workmanship of the cloth monthly, and that all fines paid to the Company go to its poor. March* 19.

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March 19. 28. Lord Chancellor St. Albans to the House of Lords. Hearing that charges of bribery are brought against him, prays that they will not prejudge him for absence, having been ill, and preparing for a higher tribunal; that they will give him leisure to make his defence, which shall be plain and ingenuous; that he may except against or cross question the witnesses against him, and bring forward his own; and that they will not be prejudiced by the number of petitions brought against a man who gives 2,000 decrees and orders in a year, exclusive of causes. Does not desire to make greatness a subterfuge for guiltiness.

March 19. 29. "Account of an attack made on the Margaret and John of London, bound for Virginia, in a West Indian harbour, by two Spanish men-of-war, 19th March 1620," written by Thos. Hothewall, of London, an eye-witness.

March 19. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Sigismund and Hen. Alexander, who have been commanded to run at tilt on the 24th, 100*l.*, for their expenses therein. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 47.]

March 19. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Scudamore of the office of Foot Forester and Riding Forester in Galtres Forest, co. York, void by decease of Sir Thos. Vavasour. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 48.]

March 19. Westminster. Grant to Rich. Willis, of London, of pardon for all offences against the Statutes of Usury. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 49.]

March 19. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Lord of the office of keeping the Fort at Gravesend, in reversion after John Smith, now keeper, and on surrender of John Hepborn's reversion. [*Ibid., No.* 50.]

March 19. Westminster. Warrant to allow to the Farmers of the Customs certain defalcations from their rent of 1618, for salt, Virginian tobacco, &c., imported duty free, and for beer, cloth, lead, &c. for Virginia, and elsewhere, exported duty free; total allowance, 1,774*l.* 16*s.* 10½*d.* [*Ibid., No.* 51.]

March 20. Westminster. Grant, with survivorship, to Rich. Randall and Thos. Beale, on surrender of Rowland White and Thos. Alured, of the office of Remembrancer in the Court of the Council in Wales. [*Ibid, No.* 52.]

March 20. 30. Petition of Rich. Daw to Lord Zouch, for permission to pull down part of a dwelling house at Pevensey, which he has bought, but which the bailiffs, &c. will not permit him to remove.

March 20. 31. [Wm.] Angell to [Nicholas]. The Mayor of Hastings did not assist to buy fish for the King, nor did others refrain from buying till His Majesty's purveyors were served, and the prices asked were very high. Begs assistance therein, and indifferent arbitrators to decide between them.

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March 21. New College, Oxford. 32. Mat. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Has returned to Oxford, and let his college lodgings for 50*l.* a year, in order to help his father.

March 21. Westminster. Commission to the Bps. of Winchester, Durham, and Rochester, to visit St. Thomas's Hospital, Southwark, and rectify any abuses contrary to the letters patent for erection. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 53.]

March 22. Westminster. Grant to Sir Fras. Wortley, Bart., of the Stewardship of the Manor of Barnsley and Dodsworth. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 54.]

March 22. 33. Bond of Sam. de Fische, Phil. Burlamachi, and others, in 20,000*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for restoring the cargo of a ship of Hamburg, wrecked upon the Godwin Sands.

March 22. Whitehall. 34. Directions given by the King to Sir Robt. Osborne for preventing spoils in his woods.

March ? 35. "Orders conceaved and set down by His Majesty to be inviolably kept and observed for His Majesty's better husbandry in his woods, within forests, parks, and chases."

March 23. 36. Locke to Carleton. The Archbp. of Spalato will be at the meeting of the Dean and Chapter of Windsor, and will give Locke a sign, when he is to advance in his bid [for Wraysbury], and when to stand firm. The Lord Chancellor is suspended, and the charges against him are so many that there is no chance of his vindicating himself. Westminster Hall was swept clean once this year, but is almost as bad as before. Sir Jerome Horsey knows not where his son is, and will not acknowledge him.

March 23. Westminster. Warrant to advance moneys necessary to furnish the Victory and Dreadnought, for six months, for a voyage to the southward, and to make the necessary payments at the end of the service. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 55.] *Incloses,*

37. I. *Estimate by the Commissioners of the Navy of the expense of furnishing the Victory and the Dreadnought for a voyage southward for six months; total,* 8,581*l.* 1*s.* 4*d.*

March 23. Westminster. Grant to Lord Admiral Buckingham of 200 oaks out of Westhay Walk, Rockingham Forest, co. Northampton, to be chosen by himself. [*Ibid., No.* 57.]

March 23. Grant to Wm. Lambe of the office of Tailor to the King, and of Preparer of Apparel for the Privy Chamber, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 330.]

March 23. Grant to Valentine Lawrence and others, of the benefit of a recognizance entered into by Edw. Boreston and others. [*Ibid., p.* 330.]

March 24. London. 38. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. The Polish Ambassador has had an audience, and requests men to resist the Turk. The King promises well; it is thought he will have leave to raise Scotch or Irish troops, there being 30,000 Scotch families in Poland. The Venetian Ambassador is allowed to raise and transport 3,000 men. Mr. Dickenson, despatched to Lord Digby, received a sharp reproof from His

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Majesty for lingering by the way. The States' Commissioners went to the King at Theobalds; he asked them what satisfaction had been given to the wrongs done to the English. The Parliament are animated by daily gracious messages from His Majesty; he proposed that a committee of both Houses should sit during the recess to prepare matters, but they decline it; they work hard at cleansing out the Augæan stable of monopolies, and also extortions in courts of justice. The petitions against the Lord Chancellor are too numerous to get through; his chief friends and brokers of bargains, Sir Geo. Hastings, Sir Rich. Younge, and others attacked, are obliged to accuse him in their own defence, though very reluctantly. [Edw.] Sherburn stands firm, and will confess nothing. His ordinary bribes were 300*l.*, 400*l.*, and even 1,000*l.*, and one of 6,000*l.* was promised by Sir —— Egerton through Dr. Field, then his chaplain, now Bp. of Llandaff. The Lords admit no evidence except on oath. The Lower House hesitated to allow such witnesses as were its members to go to swear in the Upper, but consented on their going voluntarily, not by compulsion. One Churchill, who was dismissed from the Chancery Court for extortion, is the chief cause of the Chancellor's ruin. He conducts himself as usual, but is very ill; many Lords, Buckingham especially, visit him daily; he sent the Spanish Ambassador word that he was drawing nearer to their religion, for he felt himself in purgatory; many libels come out against him. A proclamation expected to call in all monopolies, &c. The King is forward to redress what is amiss, but the desires of the Commons are so immoderate that this fair weather is not likely to last. Old Lord Stanhope dead, and the Earl of Hertford in a palsy.

March 24? 39. Verses on the accusations against Lord Chancellor St. Albans, comparing him to Actæon, who was worried to death by his own dogs. Latin.

March 26. Monday. 40. The King's speech in Parliament; promises speedily to execute the sentence against certain obnoxious patents, and to revoke by proclamation those for inns, alehouses, and gold and silver thread. Urges the prosecution of the bill against informers. Is delighted at the respectful conduct of the House of Commons, &c., and delivers over to their judgment Sir Hen. Yelverton, accused of issuing an unlawful warrant dormant. Printed.

March 26. 41. Sentence pronounced in the House of Lords, in the presence of the Commons, against Sir Giles Mompesson, viz., perpetual degradation, forfeiture of all his goods, imprisonment for life, &c.

March 26. Draft of the above sentence, with additional clauses, that he be rendered for ever incapable of serving the State; that the 26th of March be kept a perpetual holiday, in commemoration of the King's justice in delivering the country from his oppressions; and that brass statues be raised to the King and Prince, to celebrate their justice. [*Dom. Corresp., March* 30.]

March 26. Rye. 42. Rich. Gibbridge to Nicholas. Esteems his place as a mark of favour, though not worth 5*s.* a year. Is hated by his enemies because he was chosen Solicitor for the town in London. They

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persuaded the French fishermen to depose falsely about his granting licences, and thus brought him into disfavour with Lord [Zouch]. Indorsed is an analytical table of the towns of the Cinque Ports and their dependencies. Imperfect. Latin.

March 26. Broxholme. 43. Earl of Roxburgh to Buckingham. Requests him to prevent the success of an application made to the King by Fras. Stewart, son of the Earl of Bothwell.

March 26. Confirmation of the election of Dr. Walter Balconquall to the Mastership of the Savoy. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Grant to Rich. Sherborne and Ellen Gregson of pardon for incontinency. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Grant to Ann Vavasour, alias Finch, of pardon for all penances and punishments imposed on her by sentence of the High Commission Court. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Warrant for payment of wages, &c. to John Williams, Groom of the Privy Buckhounds. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Warrant to pay to the Same 3*l.* 16*s.*, for his livery coat and other necessaries. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Grant to Marmaduke Lloyd of the office of second Justice in cos. Chester, Flint, Denbigh, and Montgomery. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Grant to John Barnett, Footman in ordinary, of the benefit of the recognizances of John and Rich. Creede and their sureties, forfeited for their misbehaviour. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Westminster. Warrant for allowance of defalcations from the rent of the Farmers of Customs for 1619, for salt and Virginian tobacco imported, and for tin and beer exported, duty free; total sum, 180*l.* 17*s.* 3½*d.* [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 58.]

March 26. Westminster. Warrant for payment to Capt. John Hamilton of 300*l.*, as a free gift. [*Ibid., No.* 59.]

March 26. Westminster. Warrant for a lease to Sir Geo. More of Crown lands, value 60*l.* per ann., in lieu of his surrender of 100*l.* pension as Chancellor of the Garter. [*Ibid., No.* 60.]

March 27. Westminster. Confirmation of Sam. Fell, King's Chaplain, of the rectory of Longworth, with the chapel of Charney, co. Berks. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 62.]

March 27. 44. Wm. Hunton to his cousin, Edw. Nicholas. Thanks for favours to his brother Dick. Private affairs.

March 27. Arnold. 45. Sir John Weld to the Deputy Lieutenants of Hertfordshire. Being served with a subpœna, sends a horse for the musters in that county, though he has neither house nor land there; submits to an injustice to avoid further trouble.

March 27. 46. Statement of the order for arms to be provided at Amsterdam within six weeks' warning, showing that much could be supplied in London, at a great saving in price.

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March 27. 47. Abstract of the difference in the price of arms in England and Amsterdam, showing what quantities can be provided in either place.

March 27. 48. Memorial to the Council, requesting that the defective munition in the Tower may be sold to the King's use before any one begs it, and an order given for re-mounting the great ordnance, the carriages being so decayed as to be unserviceable.

March 28. 49. Justice Edw. Forsett to [the Council]. Has called together the scavengers and rakers of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, and other parishes, and finds that the rakers are the only persons to blame for the non-cleansing of the streets, especially on the Prince's last passage through them. Has ordered the scavengers, in case of such neglect, to have the work done, and charge the cost on the rakers. Has committed two rakers for their neglect.

March 28. 50. Note of moneys paid to the Lieutenant of the Tower since October, 1617; with request for allowance of 200*l.* charged on him for Lord Cobham.

March 28. 51. The Commissioners of the Navy to Robt. Pye. Of the 800*l.* payable out of the customs for the navy, for March, 330*l.* is to be paid to the Treasurer of the Navy, and 470*l.* to the Surveyor of Victuals.

March 28. London. 52. Chamberlain to Carleton. Parliament has finished nothing yet, except passing the subsidies, and the censure of Sir Giles Mompesson in the House of Lords, to hear which the Commons were called up, as matter of courtesy. The two Houses are on good terms with each other and with the King, who spoke in the Upper House, praising their wisdom, in the discovery of the weeds that were overrunning the garden of the State, and denouncing those who had so dissuaded him from Parliaments. The Lords were so affected that they sent him a message of thanks, the Prince being spokesman. The Commons did the same next day, which so pleased His Majesty, that he knighted the Speaker, though he is not very popular. Sir Edw. Coke loses ground, being more careless in his opinions, and in the precedents which he quotes. The Lord Chancellor keeps his house since his letter to the Lords, which was meant only to gain time till the heat of the prosecution is past. The Prince's courtesy in Parliament wins him much favour; it is the best of schools for him. The King is gone to Theobalds.

March 28. Westminster. Grant to John Norman, on surrender of Geo. Westbrook, of the office of Ranger in the Forest of Dean. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 63.]

March 28. Westminster. Warrant to advance sums not exceeding 217*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.* to Pat. Maull, Keeper of Eltham Park, for repairs there. [*Ibid., No.* 64.]

March 29. Westminster. Warrant to pay to John Acton and others 2,224*l.* 9*s.* 0¾*d.*, balance of 9,288*l.* 17*s.* 8¾*d.*, due for plate, jewellery, and cutlery, given by the King in New Year's Gifts in 1619–20, in presents to Baron

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Dona, Count de Noailles, M. de Plessin, M. Benicorazin, Festus Hommius, and other Ambassadors and their attendants; also at christenings, &c. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 65.]

March 30. Westminster. Grant, with survivorship, to Sir Robt. Heath, Solicitor General, and Sir Geo. Paul, of Lambeth, Surrey, of the office of Chief Clerk for inrolling pleas in the King's Bench. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 66.]

March 30. Dover. 53. Certificate [by the Commissioners of the passage at Dover], that five priests, named, brought from Lancaster and West Chester, were shipped for Calais, by virtue of a warrant from Council.

March 30. Oxford. 54. Sir Hen. Savile to Carleton. The business of Wraysbury is effected for 200*l.*, notwithstanding the opposition of old Andrew [Windsor], &c.

March 30. Westminster. Proclamation repealing certain Letters Patent, Commissions and Proclamations, concerning inns, ale-houses, and the manufacture of gold and silver thread, which have proved oppressive to the subject. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 90.]

March 30. Westminster. Pro clamation approving the sentence in Parliament against Giles Mompesson, late Knight, and adding to it that of perpetual banishment. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 91.]

March 31. Westminster. Proclamation suspending all sentences depending on bills and suits of conformity, exhibited by debtors in the Courts of Equity against their creditors, until Parliament has remedied the abuses resulting from the same. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 92.]

March 31. 55. List of twenty-eight new Acts [proposed or to be proposed in Parliament].

March ? 56. Account of losses at tennis and other disbursements, for the Marquis of Buckingham.

March ? 57. Petition of Wm. Clough, Vicar of Bramham, Yorkshire, to the Council, to be heard before them on accusation of improper language, the Council of York, to which his case was referred, having kept him long in prison without examining his cause; also to be released, on bail for his appearance. *Incloses,*

57. I. *The Council to the President and Council of the North. Wm. Clough being summoned for undutiful words against the King, and His Majesty being now in progress, and most of the Council dispersed, request them to examine the case. July* 20, 1620.

57. II. *Lord President of the North and others to the Keeper of York Castle. Require him to take Wm. Clough into custody, for seditious words against the King. York, Oct.* 26, 1620.

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March. 58. Grant [by a Member of Parliament], of protection to Barth. Robertson, his servant, employed on his business during the sitting of this present Parliament.

March ? 59. Statement of debts due by Lady Willoughby [of Parham] to the executors [of her late husband], of plate and furniture detained from them by her, and of her letting lands and felling woods, without licence of the Court [of Wards].

March ? 60. Requests made by the executors of the late Wm. Lord Willoughby, of Parham, to the Commissioners in their cause, for delivery to them by Lady Willoughby of plate and furniture, on behalf of the young lord; for the repayment of moneys which she owes to them and to Sir Geo. Manners, for prosecuting the wardship of her son, and for other allowances to Sir George for expenses in the business of the ward.

March ? 61. Statement by ——— of the proceedings of himself and John Johnson, of London, in procuring a patent to license artificers who have not served their apprenticeship to use their trades, the King to receive one fourth of the profits. The patent was granted to Sir Jas. Spence, Arch. Primrose, and himself, but afterwards returned into the King's hands, as being too important to be held by subjects, and compensation promised to the patentees.

March. Chancery Lane. 62. [The Speaker of the House of Commons] to the Justices of Assize for Somersetshire. To stay a trial between Wm. Richmond, Mat. Coxe, and Nic. Vannam, plaintiffs, and Hen. Sherfield, defendant; the latter being a member of Parliament, and no members allowed to depart, will be unable to attend.

March. Warrant to pay to Sir Geo. Trenchard and Sir Wm. Bamfield, Captains of Sandsfoot Castle, co. Dorset, 69*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* per ann., for the wages of a Porter, Master Gunner, and other Gunners, to serve there. [*Docquet.*]

March. Grant to Wm. Parrett of an almsroom in Worcester Cathedral. [*Docquet.*]

March ? 63. Answer by And. Batten, Master of the ship Neptune, to the Council, on the report of the referees on the difference between him and Sir Ferd. Gorges. Solicits time to perfect his accounts, having been prevented by employment on the King's service in survey of cordage.

March ? 64. Estimate [by the Commissioners of the Navy] of the charge of re-victualling, wages, &c. for the ships Red Lion, Vanguard, Rainbow, Reformation, Convertive, and Antelope, to be employed against the pirates of Algiers, for six months longer. Total, 14,094*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*

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March. 65. Order in Council prohibiting the importation of foreign corn, as being prejudicial to the farmers, on account of the plenty of corn during several preceding years.

March? 66. Note [by Sir Robt. Heath] of the King's willingness to grant a certain petition, if the Lord Treasurer, after consulting the Farmers of the Customs, finds that it will not be a hindrance to the customs on tobacco, nor to the orders established for retailing it.

April 1? 67. Account of moneys paid to the Treasurer of the Navy and Surveyor of Victuals, from Michaelmas, 1618, to Easter, 1621.

[April 3.] Tuesday. 68. Petition of And. Batten to the Council, that being again summoned to sea on the King's service, he may have further respite to make up his accounts against Sir Ferdinando Gorges.

April [3?] London. 69. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord [Zouch]. Lord Carew cannot give out the stores for Dover Castle, without an assignment from his Lordship. Lord Digby has had ill success in his embassy to the Archduke. Don Diego [Count Gondomar] was insulted in passing through the City, and violence threatened, but none used. The King swears the offenders shall be severely punished. Buckingham is gone to a horse-race at Lincoln; he had not his Easter dinner sent from the King's table as usual.

April 3. 70. Bond of Lawr. Greene and Edw. James, both of London, in 300*l.*, to pay 210*l.* to Robt. Cambell, before Oct. 5.

April 4. 71. Glaziers' Company of London, and others, to the Council. Certify that Sir Robt. Mansell's glass is cheap, of good quality, and plentiful, and that it is superior to the glass brought out of Scotland. Are better served now than before, when Bungard and others used to buy up all the glass and sell it at high prices.

April 6. 72. Mayor and Jurats of Hastings to Lord Zouch. The complaints of [Wm. Angell], the King's fishmonger, are untrue. His purveyor was allowed to purchase quietly what he demanded. Turbot and other choice fish are not exported to Dieppe; would punish such exportation, if detected.

April 6. Grant to Phil. Harris and others, of all iron works, with furniture belonging thereto, in the Forest of Dean, for seven years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 345.]

April 6. Grant to Rich. Challoner and others of all iron works in the Forest of Dean. [*Ibid., p.* 340.]

April 7. Arwanack. 73. Sir John Killigrew to Carleton. Has obtained numerous certificates of the importance of the lighthouse on Lizard Point. Many Holland merchants approve it. Is opposed by the Trinity House, &c., but hopes by Carleton's aid to carry it out.

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April 7. London. 74. Chamberlain to Carleton. It is doubtful whether the King's condemnation of the alehouse patent will prevent its further prosecution in Parliament. Death of the King of Spain and of the Bishop of London, who left an estate of 12,000*l.* or 15,000*l.* Reported promotions to bishoprics. Three apprentices whipped at the cart's tail for a slight offered to the Spanish Ambassador; they were much pitied, and affronts were offered to those who executed the sentence, at which the King was so much displeased that he came from Theobalds to Guildhall to reprove such disorders; the relation of the Recorder and others pacified him, and he only gave private admonitions to the aldermen, to see such young fellows thoroughly punished. Another has been whipped since, and several murmurers at the sentence taken up. Death of Sir John Morgan of Surrey and the Earl of Hertford. Lord Mordaunt has married Mrs. Howard.

April 7. Dover. 75. Ant. Hill to Nicholas. Mr. Marsh objects to the present time of the year for the musters of the Cinque Ports, because it is term time, and he cannot attend; but it is fixed by Lord Zouch as being most convenient for the towns, the seafaring men not being gone to sea.

[April 7.] 76. Leonard Bautrey [Serjeant-at-law] and Ant. Irby [Master in Chancery] to the Council. The town maces of Boston being left in a window, the tops, containing the crosses, &c., were cut off by some person unknown, and the mischief not being found out till the Mayor was going to church on the Sunday, they were obliged to be thus carried before him. He was not privy to the offence, and ordered the goldsmith of Boston to mend the maces. *Inclose*

76. I. *Examinations of Peter Dixon and Wm. Smith, Serjeants of the Mace of Boston. Particulars of the placing of the maces in the window, and of the crosses being missed from them the following Sunday. April* 7.

76. II. *Examination of Edw. Nodall, goldsmith of Boston. Was at Lynn Market when the maces were defaced, but when his return was known, was sent for by the Mayor, and ordered to mend them, which he did. April* 7.

76. III. *Examination of Abraham Brown, painter. Told the Mayor's wife, that the taking off the crosses from the maces was an evil and dangerous matter. April* 7.

76. IV. *Examination of John Connock, Alderman of Boston. Being in London, tried to ascertain by whose influence David Lewis had entered a complaint about the defacing of the maces, and begged him, as the Mayor was sickly, to obtain a commission to examine him in the country. Dr. Brown and others also wrote to Mr. Lewis to beg*

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him to cease his complaint, "for the business was ended for whom it was begun." April 7.

76. V. *Examinations of Ann Bramford, John Child, and Catherine Cullingham, servants of the Mayor, relative to the placing of the maces &c.; do not know who was the defacer. April* 7.

76. VI. *Examination of Rich. Westland. Heard Abraham Brown say, that the offence was felony or treason, because it was a defacing of the imperial arms. April* 7.

76. VII. *Examination of John Jenkinson, blacksmith, clerk, and sexton of Boston. Did not cut off the tops of the maces, but has heard that he was accused of it. April* 7.

76. VIII. *Examination of Atherton Hough, churchwarden of Boston. Did not cut the crosses from the maces, but did break off the hand and arm from an image of a Pope in the steeple of the church, thinking it contrary to the statute of* 1 *Eliz. against images in churches, and hearing that it had been remarked on in the town. April* 7.

76. IX. *Examination of Thos. Coney, town-clerk of Boston. Knows not the offender, but tried to induce Mr. Lewis to desist from his complaint, and persuaded Dr. Brown and others to sign a letter to him to that effect; this was done without the Mayor's knowledge. April* 7.

April? 77. Notes on the above cause. Lewis said that the Mayor conferred privately with most of the examinates beforehand, as also with Mr. Irby, who interrupted the witnesses when they said anything material. Serjeant Bautrey said that Lewis confessed to knowing who cut off the crosses, but would not reveal it except to the King. With memoranda of presumptions unfavourable to the Mayor.

April 8. Westminster. Proclamation for suppressing insolent abuses against persons of quality, as well strangers as others, in the streets and suburbs of London; each alderman to be held responsible for such offences in his own ward, householders exhorted to assist in the capture of offenders, &c. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 93.]

April 9. 78. Bill of charges for Dr. John Everard for diet, &c. during the five weeks of his commitment, since March 6, 1621.

April 10. Newcastle. 79. Certificate from the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Commissioners for preservation of the River Tyne, to the Council, of their proceedings since Michaelmas, 1620. Robt. Brandling has failed to reform the abuses of his wharf at Felling, co. Durham, the wharf being in decay, and soil thrown upon it, some of which falls into the river; all other abuses are rectified.

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April 12. 80. Statement by Clement Massey, that —— Smith, with Mr. Small, an Attorney of the King's Bench, came to the Lord Mayor's Court, and asked for a copy of a petition against Sir Hen. Spiller; that he could find no such petition, on which Smith said it was concealed by trickery, that Sir Henry might not have a copy, but that he would move Parliament about it.

April 12. Admiral Ship. 81. Sir Robt. Mansell to Capt. Pennington, Commander of the Zouch Phœnix. The Council of War having decided on manning and victualling the Satia or Polacra out of the Fleet, he is to send from his ship three men, with victuals, arms, &c., therefor.

April 13. Whitehall. 82. Sir Benj. Rudyard to [Sir Fras. Nethersole]. The Lord Chamberlain is most careful of Her Majesty [the Queen of Bohemia's] affairs. Hopes she will visit England, being so near. Her coming during Parliament might be of use to her affairs. Never Parliament proceeded so well and amiably, but it is feared the Spanish match cannot be carried through without jostling. The Lord Chancellor is in danger of a sentence for corruption, and Sir John Bennet is attacked on the same score.

April 14. Breda. 83. Sir Allan Zouch to Nicholas. Will welcome Mr. Dyer, or any other, for his sake.

April 14. Commission to Wm. Earl of Pembroke, to be Lord Lieutenant in cos. Somerset and Wilts. [*Grant Bk., p.* 339.]

April 15. St. Mary's, Dover. 84. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. Their petition for the settlement of the parish was by the general consent of the Mayor, Jurats, and commons of any quality, but there are refractory persons, opposers of all good government, who combine against it. Entreat his Lordship's assistance in the passing of their bill through Parliament.

April? 85. Petition of Sir Sam. Tryon to the Commissioners for the Earl Marshalship. Is imprisoned on the false information of Sir Fras. Crane, that being made a baronet by his means, he refused to pay him certain moneys due to him. Prays for a hearing and release on bail, and not to be impleaded both in the Earl Marshal's Court and the Court of Exchequer.

April? 86. Petition of the Same to the Same, that being promised a hearing by them if he relinquish his plea in the Exchequer, he may still defend himself, and meantime be released.

April 15. 87. Petition of Sir Sam. Tryon to the Same. Is still kept prisoner, on a pretended breach of their Lordships' order in his cause; entreats a hearing, and promises submission.

April 15. Chiswick. 88. Sir Stephen le Sieur to Sir Geo. Calvert. Sends a letter from a person whose letters, forwarded to the King through Sec.

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Naunton, were approved by his Majesty; the writer will expect more than bare words for his trouble.

April 15. 89. Petition of the Glaziers' Company to the Duke of Lenox and others, Commissioners for the glass business. Detail the proceedings of Isaac Bungard, John Dynes, and others, since 1605, in endeavouring to engross the whole trade in glass, so as to have the prices at their disposal; entreat that their present slanderous bill in Parliament against Sir Robt. Mansell's patent may be frustrated, as the company must then fall back under their tyranny, or be subject to the Scottish patent.

April 16. 90. Ant. Hill to Nicholas. Will make Mr. Marsh's warrant answer for a general holding of the musters, though Marsh thought it was only to be a training of the soldiers, &c.

April 16. 91, 92. Certificate by Hen. Visct. Falkland, Treasurer, and Sir Marmaduke Darell, Cofferer of the Household, Commissioners for levying the subsidy of 18 Jac. I., that the services therein of Sir Clement Edmondes, Clerk of the Council, were valued at 25*l.* fee. Two copies.

April 16. Dover. 93. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. The grant of the benefit of the light at Dungeness being now made void by Parliament, request that it may be re-granted to his Lordship and others, and the profits applied to the repair and maintenance of Dover harbour, under efficient management.

April 17. Hythe. 94. Mayor and Jurats of Hythe to the Same. The lighthouse at Dungeness being called in question by Parliament, for its ill keeping and excessive charges, beg that its custody, and the benefits arising therefrom, may be settled upon the Cinque Ports, who are most interested in its preservation.

April 17. Hackney. 95. Edw. Misselden to ——. Finds the chief cause of the decay of the cloth trade to be the abuses in searching and sealing, persons being employed who are negligent and ignorant, and the seals publicly sold, so that clothiers affix them to goods never seen by the searcher, which causes great diminution in the demand for and price of English cloths abroad. Similar abuses occur in the new draperies made in the west of England, whereby, and by the want of a Spanish company, the trade for them in Spain is much diminished. Suggests a rigorous mode of search, such as is practised in the Netherlands and at Colchester, in baize making. With an abstract of the principal clothing counties and towns of England.

April 18? 96. Petition of Sir Hen. Finch to the King. Disclaims the opinion which His Majesty thinks is asserted in his book; is sorry for having written so unadvisedly; begs liberty and restoration to favour.

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April 18. London. 97. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. The Bp. of [London] is better; he preached the Easter sermon with difficulty, but will not print it unless the King command it, as he did his sermon on the opening of Parliament. Proclamations by the King and Lord Mayor against affronts, by gesture, word, or action, to Ambassadors; the aldermen have visited from house to house to enforce them. Sir John Bennet's friends will probably carry him through his accusations. Serjeant Finch is committed for his book on the conversion of the Jews. Tilenus has returned to Paris, without taking leave. A new office, the Remembrancer of the Green Cloth, is conferred on Harvey, the King's grocer, who pretends thereby to save His Majesty 10,000*l.* a year. The Earl of Bedford has left his wife 4,000*l.* jointure, and a town and country house. Lord St. John, the Marquis of Winchester's eldest son, dead or dying. Quarrels between the Earl of Essex and Lord Gerard, and the Earl of Oxford and Lord Mordaunt. Oxford is to marry the Earl of Bridgewater's daughter, with 2,000*l.* a year in land, and 4,000*l.* jointure. The King sent word to Parliament that he had refused the Lord Chancellor's tender of the Great Seal, and wished them to hear him favourably, but to judge him as they thought fit, if matters prove foul. News of the loss of Bohemia, submission of Hungary, &c.

April 18. London. 98. Sir Dud. Diggs to the Same. Parliament going on amicably. The great Chancellor is ready for his sentence in the Upper House, and, in the Lower, Sir John Bennet is convicted of corruption, but he is sick, and his sentence awaits his appearance to answer for himself.

April 19. Whitehall. 99. Buckingham to Lord Zouch. To issue his order for impressing threescore seamen in the Cinque Ports, to man the Victory and Dreadnought.

April 20. 100. Memorandum of anticipations made on certain heads of revenue, for the year 19 Jac. I.

April 21. Tavistock. 101. Earl of Bath to the Council. The Corporation of Exeter have nominated John Prowse, John Marshall, and John Sheere, as Deputy Lieutenants, in place of Sir Geo. Smith and Mr. Periam, deceased. They wish the number increased, the present six being insufficient, since three are needed for a quorum.

April 21. 102. Conditions upon which the three Lords [Buckingham, Carew, and Cranfield], depute to Mr. Evelyn their patent for the sole refining of saltpetre and making of gunpowder.

April 21. 103. Estimate [by the Ordnance officers] of the stores to be provided for the guns, &c. of the Victory and Dreadnought; total cost 295*l.* 10*s.* 8*d.* With order from the Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer to Robt. Pye, for immediate payment thereof. Dated May 8.

April 21 Commission to Visct. Mandeville to let out the King's lands. [*Grant Bk., p.* 341.]

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[April 22.] 104. Lord Chancellor St. Albans to the House of Lords. Rejoices in the midst of his profound afflictions that the greatness of a magistrate is no shelter for crime. His only justification is non-concealment of his offences. Will not reply to particulars, nor cavil at witnesses, nor urge extenuations. Submits to their judgment and mercy, but hopes that the loss of the seal may be sufficient expiation for his faults. Pleads for compassion, by the example of the King's clemency, their own fellow-feeling with him, &c.

April 22. 105. Copy of the above.

April 23. London. 106. Chamberlain to Carleton. Some say the King of Spain, on his death-bed, bequeathed his daughter to the Emperor's son, others, to our Prince. Sir Hen. Yelverton is called to answer before the Upper House, but has time given to clear himself. Sir John Bennet's case proves worse and worse, in spite of his protestations of innocence; he is banished the House, and taken into custody. St. George's Feast has been held in the New Banquetting Room, which is too handsome for the rest of the building.

April 23. 107. Locke to [the Same]. The Polish Ambassador is allowed to levy 8,000 volunteers, and Sir Art. Aston is to be their leader. The King made a speech to both Houses at Whitehall, and said he thanked them less for the subsidy than for their manner of giving it, which made foreign countries ring with the love his subjects bear him; that he would henceforth speak to them, not "out of art," but "from his heart, which they had and should have." Half the subsidy being gone already, he urged the wants of his daughter and her family, confessing too great profuseness at his first coming. He bade them proceed cautiously in hearing complaints, and act not from humour but justice; he said that Parliament had brought many abuses to light which he should not have found out. It is hoped Parliaments will be more frequent. Kilvert, a proctor, accuses Sir John Bennet of so many corruptions that, by his side, the Chancellor seems an honest man. He has gained 1,000*l.* a year by taking oaths by commission; he is responsible for 140,000*l.* that has come to his hands for charitable uses, &c.

April 23. Dover Pier. 108. Will. Leonard to Nicholas. Two Holland ships have taken a ship of Dunkirk, off the Ness, laden with treasure for the payment of Spinola's army, and a ship of Nieuport that had also treasure on board, &c.

April 23. 109. Thos. Godfrey to the Same. Hopes Lord [Zouch] will not hear the complaints against him of Stephen Browne, of Lydd, who has shot his pigeons.

[April 25.] 110. Abstract of a [proposed] Act for confirmation of all grants made to the late Queen Elizabeth, and to the King, saving the rights of all but the granters and their heirs; also for confirmation of all grants, leases, compositions for defective titles, conveyances of entailed lands, &c., made by them, with certain exceptions.

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April 25. Bath. 111. Mayor, &c. of Bath to Lord Zouch. Thanks for his approval of the regulations made by Sir Ignatius Jordan and Dr. Jordan about the Cross Bath. Hopes he will approve the intended separation of the sexes in all the baths, which ought to have been effected long ago.

April 25. Admiral Ship, Alicant Road. 112. Sir Robt. Mansell to Capt. Pennington of the Zouch Phœnix. The service requires that the whole fleet should keep together. Purposes to go to Ivica to take in wood, to touch at Majorca, and then repair to Algiers.

[April 26.] 113. Reasons in behalf of the bill in Parliament to restore to the merchants of the staple their trade of exporting cloth and other woollen goods, showing its convenience to the state, by encouraging manufacturers of cloth, &c., and their right to it, as an ancient privilege of the company.

April 27. Sandwich. 114. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to Lord Zouch. Mr. Herbert and Constable being both in London, no one in Dover knows anything about the money which Matt. Weston says was stolen from him at Dover, recovered by Mr. Constable, and delivered to Mr. Herbert, then Mayor.

April 28? 115. Petition of Matt. Weston to the Same, for a warrant for Mr. Herbert and Robt. Constable, of Sandwich, to appear before him, to answer for detaining 20*l.*, which he delivered to them in trust. Believes them to be in London, though they are said to have returned to Sandwich.

April 28. Romney. 116. Ant. Hill to Nicholas. Recommends Rich. Godfrey as Captain for Romney, &c. He will not sue for the office, it being one of trouble and disprofit. The seas are full of Dutch men-of-war. Moyle Lambert's fleet against Dunkirk has been augmented. They are looking out for three Spanish ships laden with treasure.

April 29. Winchelsea. 117. The Same to the Same. To favour the request of the Mayor of Winchelsea for [Robt.] Butler and Giles Waters to be appointed Jurats of Winchelsea.

April 30. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 118. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Advice relative to two proposed matches for him, one being his cousin Lawrence's widow, with children.

April ? 119. Susannah Nicholas to the Same. Advises him not to marry the widow, on account of her children.

April 30. 120. The Same to the Same. Counsels him not to live at home when married, but to obtain some employment.

April 30. Warrant for Sir Thos. Tyringham, Master of the Privy Buckhounds, to take up, in places adjacent to the Court, beds, stable room, &c., for himself and the hounds, at reasonable prices. [*Docquet.*]

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April? 121. Notes [by Sir Robt. Heath], that the points to be considered are the honour, safety, and profit of the King and kingdom. The first requires readiness for war in order to make peace secure, lest our enemies despise, and our allies neglect us. The second depends mainly on our shipping, and suffers by its non-maintenance and the boldness of the Hollanders. The third depends on well ordered trade, which is much decayed, the imports much exceeding the exports, and treasure being thus exhausted. Suggestions for remedy by showing ourselves ready for war, encouraging mariners, making due provision of ordnance, protecting the Narrow Seas as the door of the kingdom, maintaining the fisheries of the kingdom, encouraging the cloth trade, and also the East India Company, enforcing restitution of wrongs from the Hollanders, &c. The fleet now gone against pirates would, if recalled, be a sufficient guard for the Narrow Neas.

April? 122. Notes [by the Same], to the same purport.

April? 123. Reasons against the intended division of the decayed parish of St. Peter in Dover, and the pier houses in the town, between the parishes of Hougham and St. James's.

April? 124. Discourse by [Auditor] Stanley, entitled "A brief relation touching the Government, and levying of the King's revenues within the survey of His Majesty's Exchequer, as also the cause why those revenues have of late times fallen into such great arrears, and from whence the obstruction arises; with an humble proposition for a remedy."

[April.] 125. Commissioners of the Navy to Robt. Pye. Of the 800*l.* payable for the Navy for April, 330*l.* is to be paid to the Treasurer of the Navy, and 430*l.* to the Surveyors of Victuals.

April? 126. Petition of the Cinque Ports to the House of Commons. Complain that whereas by ancient charters they enjoy the right of free trade throughout England, the trading companies of London not only prevent the carriage of goods to the Cinque Ports for export, but the export of their own manufactures, so that shipping decays, and many chief men remove to London; also that they are restrained in purchase of cloth from Blackwell Hall, and in their right to the prisage of wines. Request redress.

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May 1. Sandwich. 1. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to the towns of the Cinque Ports. Request them to join in an application to have their common charter, with all their privileges and liberties, confirmed by Parliament. Hope they will join to bear the expense, and will influence their several barons to further the cause.

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May 1. 2. Speech of Sir Hen. Yelverton in the House [of Lords]. Was in a strait about the patents for gold and silver thread, and for inns, because Sir Giles Mompesson threatened him that Buckingham would have him displaced in a month, if he did not conform to his wishes. Thinks this an assumption of regal power, and would remind his Lordship of Hugh de Spencer's case (here he was interrupted). Suffers now by his opposition to Buckingham; acknowledges the justice of his Star Chamber sentence.

May 1. 3. Copy of the above.

May 2. Whitehall. 4. The Council to Lord Zouch. Edw. Sherburn, the collector of subsidies, will be ready at York House, Charing Cross, to receive 40*l.*, as his payment of one entire subsidy granted by Parliament, of 4*s.* in the pound, which is to be paid in before May 10.

May 2. London. 5. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. Accusations accumulate against Sir John Bennet and the Lord Chancellor, chiefly from their own creatures. The latter made large offers to Kilvert, the proctor, to desist from his charges, but Kilvert only told the House of the offers. His Lordship lies languishing, and defers his appearance. The accusations and evidence against him are sent to him in writing. His first submission was too qualified, so he sent one more absolute; he tries to gain time. He could not be called before the House whilst he held the Great Seal, because it was not decorous that he should have it carried before him to the bar; it is now in the King's hands. Sir Hen. Yelverton's speech was chiefly aspersions on Buckingham, comparing his tyranny to that of the De Spencers, at which the Prince asked leave of the Lords to interrupt him for scandalizing his father's government; he is close prisoner in the Tower, the King being more angry than ever with him. The Lower House entangle themselves with needless business, but the King is very patient with them: they quarrel amongst themselves. Both the towns and universities of Oxford and Cambridge are unrepresented, Sir Fras. Blundell and the Mayor of Cambridge, returned for the towns, being cashiered, Sir John Bennet, member for Oxford University, in disgrace, and Sir Robt. Naunton appearing not for that of Cambridge. Sir Edw. Coke was reproved for putting Cambridge before Oxford. Floyd, an obscure lawyer, sentenced to the pillory, &c., for contemptuous words against the King and Queen of Bohemia, but respited because the King thinks it better to suppress such scandals than to blaze them abroad by punishment. The Lord Treasurer, Lord Chamberlain, Duke of Lenox, and Earl of Arundel were sent to fetch the Seal from the Lord Chancellor; and they, with the Lord Chief Justice, are to hold it in commission. Lady Lake, after many shifts, is at last driven to a complete submission. The merchants are ordered, though reluctant, to keep up their fleet [against the pirates] till Nov. 10.

May 3. 6. Order in the Court of the Levant Company, consenting to allow three months' additional victuals for the ships employed against the pirates, on condition that the rates of levying the tax

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for payment may be continued as first laid on, not as they have been since modified.

May 4. 7. Submission of Wm. Whately, vicar of Banbury, co. Oxford, revoking the assertions in his work called Bride-bush, that either adultery or long desertion dissolves marriage. Is convinced by the reasons alleged in the High Commission Court of their falsehood. [Indorsed by Laud.]

May 4. 8. Copy of the above.

May 4. 9. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Private affairs. Desires a curate of honesty and ability. Is quite unfit to try for a doctor's degree.

May 4. Special licence to the [Muscovy] Company to transport to Russia as many Spanish ryals as shall amount to 3,000*l.* [*Grant Bk., p.* 346.]

May 4. Pevensey. 10. Ant. Hill to Nicholas. Requests commissions for Ansell Nathly, as Captain of the select band, and for Thos. Smith, of the general band at Hastings; that of the former to be made somewhat large, because he delights in training soldiers. Wishes Lord Zouch would allow more frequent exercising; once a year is very insufficient, &c. Mr. Newman consents to be Captain of Pevensey.

May 5. Seaford. 11. The Same to the Same. Sends money for a debt. Commends Mr. Elfick, who would be glad to explain to Lord Zouch the quarrel between him and the Gratwicks.

May 5. London. 12. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Lord Chancellor sentenced to 40,000*l.* fine, imprisonment in the Tower during pleasure, and disability ever to bear office, &c.; he escaped degradation by only two votes. Sir Fras. Michell sentenced to a fine of 1,000*l.*, imprisonment, and degradation. The Lower House attended the King to plead their privilege to punish Floyd. His Majesty said they could not condemn a man judicially whose guilt was unproved, but as Floyd had confessed to him, he would take care he should not go unpunished. The House retired dissatisfied; bold speech of Sir Edw. Cecil thereon. The Upper House also displeased, because the King has taken the punishment of Sir Hen. Yelverton out of their hands.

May 5. 13. Locke to [the Same]. The Archbp. of Spalato thanks him for his intended present of 100*l.* Sir Fras. Michell is imprisoned in the same chamber in Finsbury Gaol to which he was wont to commit others. The Lower House questioned the creation of Baronets, as being an honour bought with money. They fell on the grievances of Ireland, but the King sent them word he would have the honour of reforming that kingdom. Floyd was sentenced to the pillory by Parliament for saying that Lady Bess must come home to her father, and that the King of Bohemia had no right to his title; but the Spanish Ambassador having spoken to the King, he stayed the sentence, sent for the House, told them they had exceeded their bounds in passing a censure without the Upper House,

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and bade them attend to the despatch of important business; he told them to deliver their mind to him in a petition. Sir Edw. Villiers was sent out of the House for wishing to speak about a patent in which he is concerned, but will be admitted at other times. Lady Lake is released. Sends the Lord Chancellor's submission.

May 8 ? Tenterden. Tuesday. 14. Ant. Hill to Nicholas. To give the 5*l.* enclosed to Mr. Dyer, if he is in London.

May 8. 15. Note of a speech, by Lord Spencer [in the House of Lords] that [the Earl of Arundel] had little cause to speak against a certain motion [for Sir Hen. Yelverton to be heard in his own defence, *see May* 19], two of his ancestors having been unjustly condemned in Parliament. With the Earl's reply, that, whilst his ancestors suffered for services to King and country, his Lordship's ancestors were keeping sheep. Also of an apology made by the Earl for this remark, to the House, and to Lord Spencer.

May ? 16. Supplication by Anne, widow of Sir Hen. Day, of Banham, and Thos. Downes, of Bodney, both co. Norfolk, for reversal, by Act of Parliament or otherwise, of a transfer by Robt. Hogan, the King's ward, of all his manors, &c. in Norfolk, value 11,000*l.*, to his mother, Anne Hungate, then widow, now wife of Sir Julius Cæsar, Master of the Rolls; showing the fraudulent manner in which the transfer was effected, and the damage that will ensue both to King and subject, by admitting fraudulent conveyances of wards.

[May 9.] 17. Recital of part of a Bill in Parliament, preferred by Anne Day and Thos. Downes, cousins and next heirs of Robt. Hogan, who died under age, that a deed, by which, under colour of a fine, he conveyed the manor of Hamonds and other lands in Norfolk, his whole estate, to his mother Anne Hogan, may be set aside, on plea that the deed was unlawful, he dying under age.

[May 9.] 18. Digest of the above, and of other clauses in the Bill, on the impropriety of allowing to wards the disposal of their lands, &c.

[May 9.] 19. Copy of the above digest.

May 9 ? 20. Proposal that to prevent the secret export of money, the King shall keep a register of all bills of exchange; that to obviate frauds in customs, all bills of lading be registered on oath, and all vessels obliged to give in bills of lading, and also that all waggons and carts in seaport towns, which may convey prohibited goods, be searched and registered; that all charter-parties between merchants and owners of shipping be registered, to avoid contentions between them; that both merchants and owners enter bonds not to trade with the enemy, nor export more money than needful; and that all ordnance, munition, provisions, &c. be registered, vessels often carrying much more than they require, and selling it to the enemy.

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May 9. 21. Inquiry by Mr. Mould, into the best remedy for the loss sustained by the English in their commerce with the Dutch, in point of exchange.

May 9 ? 22. "Answer to Mr. Mould's arguments concerning the undervaluation of our money in exchange," and the "settlement of the exchange at par pro pari," to prove that it would be disadvantageous, and that by the present mode of exchange, the English are gainers, and not losers.

May 9 ? 23. Project by Mr. Barrett to increase the customs and to restore trade, by making Spanish and French coins current in England, at their full value. With answers to objections.

May 9 ? 24, 25. Two copies of the above, slightly varied.

May 9. Tenterden. 26. Ant. Hill to Nicholas. The Jurats of Winchelsea slight his Lordship's recommendation, and purpose to elect two factious men as Jurats.

May 9. 27. Jurats and Freemen of Winchelsea to Lord Zouch. Robt. Butler and Giles Waters are incompetent for election as Jurats, because they do service in Camber Castle, and are therefore exempt from town duties; request leave to make a free election, if more Jurats are to be chosen.

May 10. Winchelsea. 28. Mayor of Winchelsea to the Same. The Jurats have no wish to increase their number. Their excuse that Butler and Waters belong to the castle is invalid, castle officers having often been mayors and officers of towns.

May 10. Gray's Inn. 29. John Philpot to Nicholas. Regrets the Lord Warden's displeasure about his cause with Tassell, &c. Has paid 10*l.* to Sir Thos. Wynn, and wishes to pay all honestly.

May 10. 30. Petition of Thos. Elfick to Lord Zouch, to bind Edw. and Thos. Gratwick to keep the peace towards him, an injunction being issued to stay proceedings on their former recognizances, whereby his life is in danger from them.

May 11. 31. John King and others to [the Commissioners for the Navy]. Certify the good qualities of the cordage and materials for cordage at Woolwich.

May 12. 32. Petition of Thos. Gratwick to Lord Zouch. Thos. Elfick, after long delaying to answer to his bill, which was referred to commissioners, has entered a counter bill against him and his friends at the Court of Chancery of Dover. Requests a conclusion on the former bill, and dismissal or stay of proceedings on the latter.

May 12. 33. Edw. Misselden to Sir Albert Morton. It was decided that, of the 8,500*l.* to be raised towards the suppression of pirates by the Turkey and Spanish merchants, the former should raise 4,000*l.* and the latter 4,500*l.* Mr. Leate opposes this order, and pretends that the Spanish merchants have bribed Sir Clement Edmondes and others to obtain it.

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May 12. 34. [Proposed] Act for the better making of serges and perpetuanies, regulating their length and breadth, and appointing overseers in each manufacturing town, to inspect them and seal them according to quality.

May ? 35. Answers to certain articles relating to the manufacture of cloths, perpetuanies, and other sorts of new drapery, in the west of England, and the avoidance of deceits therein.

May ? 36. Report [by Sir Robt. Heath] founded on the certificates of Norwich, Colchester, and Exeter, concerning the new drapery, that it must be made of a prescribed length, breadth, and weight, and be submitted to sundry searches specified, to test its goodness.

May 14. Westminster. 37. Order to Sir Ferdinando Dudley to obey the injunction of the Court of Exchequer, and yield up certain messuages and lands called the Old Park, in Sedgley, co. Stafford, to Martha Gravenor, widow. Latin.

[May 14]. 38. Arguments on the privilege of freedom of trade, claimed by the Cinque Ports and denied to them by the Merchant Adventurers.

May 14. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 39. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Fears the curate he recommends countenances dancing, but will try him, and allow him 20*l.* per ann. if he will not preach better than himself; hopes also that Mr. Evelyn will allow him his diet, for teaching his younger son. Has taken lodgings at Dean, at 4*l.* a year, which is too much for them.

May 16. Greenwich. Sir Geo. Calvert to Carleton. Parliament nearly over. There has been "some justling, in point of jurisdiction, between the two Houses;" the Lower House having shown extraordinary zeal in punishing one Floyd, who spoke lewd words of the King and Queen of Bohemia, the King and House of Lords disapproved the punishment, as being out of the province of the Commons. [*Holl. Corresp., May* 16, 1621.]

May 17. Westminster. 40. Petition of Peter Blancart, of Sandwich, to Lord Zouch, to dissolve an injunction in the Court of Chancery, for stay of process against Sir Wm. Monings, who tries to defraud him of a debt of 100*l.*, Sir William refusing to submit to the decision of the arbitrators appointed.

May 17. 41. Locke to Carleton. No money is to be issued out of the Exchequer till Lord Digby is supplied. Parliament is about to adjourn. The Attorney General's sentence is imprisonment during pleasure, and to pay 10,000 marks to the King, and 5,000 marks to Buckingham for damages; Buckingham forgave him his fine at once, and promised to ask the King to remit the rest. The Bp. of Salisbury lately dead. Dr. Davenant likely to succeed him, &c.

May 17. Grant to Wm. George of the Clerkship of the Wardrobe, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 344.]

May 18. 42. Receipt by Wm. Hatcher, from Sir Clement Edmondes, of a Privy Seal warrant, granting to [Thos.] Boorne and [Hugh] Richardson the office of Searcher of Battery wares.

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May 18. Guildhall. 43. Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London to the Council. Have rated the Grocers and Apothecaries' Companies together at 500*l.*, for the contribution for recovery of the Palatinate. The Grocers paid 300*l.*, leaving 200*l.* for the Apothecaries, which they absolutely refuse to pay, as being too large a proportion.

May 19. London. 44. Chamberlain to Carleton. The dispute about Floyd's punishment was ended by an agreement between the two Houses that it should not be used as a precedent; that about the Attorney General, by the King's remitting the case to the Lords. The Attorney's defence was so weak, with little but tears and protestations of good meaning, that his very friends were ashamed of him. Buckingham stands firmer than ever, and rejoices at being found Parliament proof. The Earl of Arundel urging warmly that Yelverton should be condemned without further hearing, Lord Spencer reminded him of sentences similarly passed on his ancestry, on which he retorted that Lord Spencer's ancestry were shepherds then. [*See May* 8.] Arundel was called to the bar of the House, but only consented to apologize in the place where he sat, wherewith Lord Spencer not being satisfied, he was sent to the Tower, where he was welcomed by the Earl of Northumberland, and is much visited by Buckingham and others. Clement Cooke was also committed, but is released on his submission to the House and to Sir Chas. Morrison. Death of the Bp. of Salisbury and Sir Thos. Tracy. Report that the Duke of Lenox has married the Countess of Hertford. The Bp. of London having relieved some poor priests in his last illness, the Papists declare that he died a Catholic.

May ? 45. Inventory of goods delivered out of the wardrobe for the Queen of Bohemia, viz., a crimson velvet bed with hangings and appurtenances, and bedroom furniture, en suite.

May 19. 46. Locke to Carleton. Wrote him by John Green, who took the hangings for the Queen [of Bohemia]. The Earl of Arundel was three times requested to apologize, which he was willing to do to the House, but not to Lord Spencer. The contest arose from Arundel's opposing Sir Hen. Yelverton's desire to explain himself. The Earl of Northumberland has petitioned the House of Lords to be admitted to sit as a Peer, and his request is said to be granted.

May 20 ? 47. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. A bark laden with lead, belonging to Sir Rich. Gravenor, of Westchester, was sunk near Margate, but the lead and other merchandise saved, and though she is now brought into the pier, yet, as six or seven tides washed over her, thinks she should be considered a wreck. The Deputy of Margate lays claim to her as the King's wreck. *Annexed is,*

47. I. *Memorandum that a bark laden with lead ran aground, between St. Nicholas and Reculver, out of the liberties of the Cinque Ports, and that the boatmen insisted on taking out more lead than the master wished, and were upheld by Wm. Coppin, the Lord Warden's servant. Indorsed* [*by Nicholas*], "*Sir R. Gravenor.*" *May* 20.

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May [20 ?] 48. List [by Sir Robt. Heath] of Patents for Monopolies, some of which are condemned by the Commons, but referred by the King to the Council, some are surrendered, some still under discussion, and some to be decided on by the King.

May 20 ? 49. List [by the Same], of seven patents, condemned by the House of Commons, but referred by the King to the Council, and of seventeen patents still under debate; with notes of other similar patents, and memoranda of transactions in Parliament relating to some of them.

May 21. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 50. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. The Bp. of Salisbury, just dead, was a good friend to them. Many deaths in that see. Thanks for the curate recommended. Will give him a larger salary rather than miss him.

May 22. Winchelsea. 51. Jurats and Freemen of Winchelsea to Lord Zouch. Thanks for his permission to choose other Jurats; elected Barth. Pitt and Geo. Matthew, but the Mayor refused them, and swore in Robt. Butler and Giles Waters, without their consent. Beg that their own election may stand, or a fresh one be made.

May 22. Mitcham. 52. Sir Robt. Heath to Sir Geo. Calvert. Cannot find any reason to suppose that Thos. Middlecote, late Mayor of Boston, was concerned in cutting off the crosses from the maces, since he used them with the crosses, both before the damage, and as soon as they were mended, which was done at once by his order. *Incloses,*

52. 1. *Examinations of Thos. Middlecote and Wm. Jenkinson, late Mayors of Boston; of Thos. Brown, Wm. Bennet, and Thos. Shaw, residents; Ann Howet, a servant, Wm. Pury, of Lincoln's Inn, John Spring, of Freestone, Lancashire, and others* [*previously examined on April* 7], *to the same purport as those examinations. David Lewis, the complainant in the matter of the maces, professed to be the King's servant; the letter sent him to request him to stay his complaint never reached him, he having left London. Mr. Cotton, the Vicar of Boston, not likely to be guilty, as he condemned the Act. May* 21.

May 24. 53. Account of mourning cloaks given at Lady Periam's decease, [to the Archbp. Abbot and his household].

May 25. Grant, in reversion, to Sir Wm. Harrington, of the office of Lieutenant General of Ordnance, &c., for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 345.]

May 26. 54. Locke to Carleton. The Earl of Arundel prefers enduring restraint in the Tower to acknowledging his error to Lord Spencer; the King has written to him, and Buckingham and others visited him. Lord Digby is setting out, and has 40,000*l.* allowed. Floyd's punishment is increased by the Upper House; he is fined 5,000*l.*, sentenced to be whipped to the pillory at Westminster and Cheapside, to be branded in the face, and imprisoned at Newgate. The Comptroller [Visct. Falkland] is to be Deputy of Ireland, and to be succeeded in the Comptrollership by Lord Fielding.

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May 28. Dover. 55. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. John Waad has been reported to let slip words tending to the dishonour of Parliament. *Inclose,*

55. I. *Declaration of John Waad, that his true meaning in calling the Court of Equity a court of iniquity, in a quarrel with John Broome and John Finnis, about parish affairs, was that they had long held a court of iniquity, by slandering their minister and others. May* 21.

55. II. *Depositions of John Broome and others, that on the Bench of Jurats of Dover, in discussing some parish business, John Waad called the court a court of iniquity, but that he did not thereby mean the Court of Parliament. Guildhall, Dover, May* 25.

May 29. Admiral Ship. 56. Sir Robt. Mansell to Capt. John Pennington of the Zouch Phœnix. The road of Algiers is their place of rendezvous, and the Admirals are to hang out their lights so as to keep together; no vessel is to be chased unless the fleet can be regained that night.

May 29. 57. [Lord Admiral Buckingham] to Thos. Wilbraham. Directs him to take command of the ship Victory, going on the service against pirates. *Annexing,*

57. I. *Instructions for management of the ship and crew: they are to proceed, in company with the Dreadnought, to join Sir Robt. Mansell's Fleet at Gibraltar.*

May 29. Oswestry. 58. Clothiers of North Wales to the Council. Request that the staple for the sale of Welsh cottons may be re-established at Oswestry, the drapers of Shrewsbury trying to draw all trade to that town, which will be their ruin.

May 29. 59. Commissioners of the Navy to Robt. Pye. The 800*l.* allowed for the Navy for May is to be paid to Sir Wm. Russell, the Treasurer.

[May 30.] 60. Petition of thirty-two Ministers of Norwich to the Council, for renewal of orders issued fifteen years before, that they may have a certain maintenance from the English in the town,—as already granted them from the Dutch and French inhabitants,—of 20*d.* in the pound on the rent of their houses; they are at present dependent on the pleasure of the people. [*See June* 1.]

May 30? 61. List of days appointed by Ant. Hill for musters to be held at the different towns in the Cinque Ports, from April 30 to May 29.

May 31. 62. Musters of all the trained and untrained bands in the Cinque Ports; also certificate of provisions, ammunition, the state of the beacons, &c.

May. 63. Estimate [by the Ordnance officers] of the stores necessary for furnishing the ship Happy Entrance. Total cost 9*l.* 14*s.*

May? 64. Propositions for erection of an Office of Pomp, to promote home manufactures by preventing our imports from exceeding our exports; to repress pride by levying taxes on all articles of luxury, &c. Imperfect.

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May ? 65. Proposition that the King should save the treasure of his subjects by a Proclamation prohibiting banquettings at christenings, by which 100,000*l.* is now yearly expended on sugar, at an average of 5*l.* per christening, an expense which most people would gladly avoid, if not compelled to it by custom; also prohibiting wine to be drunk at taverns, whereby money would be saved, and quarrelling and drunkenness prevented.

June 1. 66. Attestation of the correctness of a letter prefixed, dated Whitehall, Feb. 15, 1606, from the Council to the Mayor, &c. of Norwich, admonishing them to raise a competent tax from the native inhabitants, similar to that already paid by strangers, for the maintenance of the ministry, their dependence upon the people bringing their profession into contempt. Any who refuse payment to be summoned before Council.

June [2 ?] 67. Bp. of Norwich, Sir John Wentworth, and four Justices of the Peace of Norfolk, to the Council. The opponents of the Yarmouth petitioners have failed to prove their cause. An examination of facts proves that the neighbouring low lands are greatly benefitted by the haven and piers of Yarmouth, being better drained, and exports and imports being made more easy; also that Yarmouth is unable alone to bear the expense of their maintenance and of the repairs now necessary. Suggest a tax upon the lands improved thereby, and a poundage upon the exports and imports from Yarmouth, for their support.

June 2.
Westminster. 68. [The King] to the Bp. of Chester, the Receiver of Lancashire, and others. Desires that the four preachers of Lancashire to whom he gives pensions of 50*l.* each, on account of the want of maintenance for the ministry in many places, be not permitted to hold other distant benefices, and that the above pensions be paid only to such ministers as are resident and appointed by the Bishop.

June 2.
London. 69. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. The severe censure of the House of Lords upon Floyd is performed, viz., whipping, branding, the pillory, fine of 5,000*l.*, and imprisonment. The Lord Chancellor is sent to the Tower; his man Sherburn hides himself, being security for some of his debts; and Dr. Field, Bp. of Landaff, who was a sort of broker for him, is given over to the admonitions of the Archbp. of Canterbury. Sir John Bennet, proving less guilty than was expected, is released on bail for 20,000*l.* The King sent messages to the Houses to expedite matters, as he intended to dissolve Parliament in a week; they were discontented and would have petitioned, but his Majesty said he was resolute to prorogue them till after Michaelmas, though it should only be an adjournment. Surmises as to the ground of the adjournment;—that the attack on Irish grievances would have involved somebody too much; that there was a petition against Lord Doncaster for withholding payments, when Master of the Wardrobe, &c. The King has just gone to the Lords, and given the Houses their choice, to adjourn at once, or to sit a fortnight longer, and then end the session; they are consulting thereon with the Commons. Death of the Countess of Leicester,

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Bp. of Carlisle, Dr. Amias, Master in Chancery, and Sir John Jolles, Alderman. Dr. Dabenet (Davenant) is to be Bp. of Salisbury, that he may be a father to the thirteen poor children of the late Bishop, whose widow is his sister. The Archbp. of Spalato ceases preaching, having tried to prove that the Papists hold no heresy. The Prince and Buckingham are sponsors to the Earl of Bridgewater's son.

June 4. Dover. 70. John Reading to Lord Zouch. On account of troubles in France, French Protestants daily land at Dover, and some ministers having arrived, they desire the use of the church on certain days for divine worship; requests Lord Zouch to apply to the Archbp. of Canterbury to grant their request. The flight of Protestants is likely to be greater, they being forbidden to emigrate on pain of death.

June 4. Wrest. 71. Earl of Kent to the Council. Has completed the musters [in Bedfordshire]. Thos. Hillersdon, before reported as a defaulter, still remains unpunished, and this emboldens others to neglect the service.

June 4. 72. Declaration of the House of Commons of their sympathy with the estate of the King's children and of the true professors of religion abroad, and their resolution that if the present treaty, which they hope will not be long protracted, should fail, they will be ready with life and fortune to assist in the cause.

June 4. 73–77. Five contemporary copies of the above, but written in the third person.

June 4. 78. French translation of the above.

June 4. 79. Report of proceedings in the House of Commons. Sir Dud. Diggs urged that the Cinque Ports should have the farming of their own customs. Speech of Sir Jas. Perrot, proposing that a declaration should be drawn up and registered, pledging the house to defend the King's children and the cause of religion, if his Majesty failed by treaty to rescue religion and recover the Palatinate. The proposal was received with acclamation, a committee formed to draw up the declaration, which was approved unanimously, and then a Commission came to adjourn the House to Nov. 14.

June 4. 80. Report of proceedings in the Commons. After the passing of the declaration, a Commission arrived from the Lords, signifying the King's pleasure that the House be adjourned, and all committees remain in statu quo, until Nov. 14. The Commons declined to read the Commission, but assented to the proposal. Sir Edw. Coke read the prayer for the King and Royal Family, adding to it, "and defend them from their cruel enemies," and the Speaker adjourned the House.

June 4. Westminster. Commission to the Prince of Wales, Archbp. of Canterbury, Officers of State, Privy Councillors, &c., authorizing them to adjourn the Parliament to the 14th of November; with notes that the House of Lords being thereby adjourned, the commission was sent down to the Commons, with a message that by virtue thereof Parliament was adjourned. [*Dom. Corresp., Dec.* 19, 1621.]

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June 5. Commission to John Grome and others to see that there be quick despatch in building the wall of Theobalds Park. [*Grant Bk., p.* 339.]

June 5. French Church, London. 81. Ministers and Elders of the French Congregation in London to the Council. Have not censured Simon Du Val, as he pretends, for conforming to the English Church, of which most of them are members; he became such only to avoid just censure for his scandalous misdemeanors. Request leave to proceed against him.

June 5. Brightlingsea. 82. John King to Lord Zouch. Solicits the discharge of his brother, Matt. King, lately pressed out of a ship of Harwich for His Majesty's ships, he being young and sickly.

June 5. East Retford. 83. Sheriff and Justices of Nottinghamshire to the Council. Have held the musters, and find the bands, trained and untrained, in good condition, except that the horse are lessened by the creation of some barons, who plead exemption, as do some of the King's servants.

June 5. Dover. 84. Wm. Leonard to Lord Zouch. Requests direction whether to ask leave from Mr. Herdson to take the stones from the beach at Folkestone, on which he has property. Thinks that as the stones are taken below high-water mark, they are within his Lordship's jurisdiction, and do not belong to Herdson.

June 7. Eton. 85. Sir H. Savile to Carleton. Advises him to defer the gratuity to the Bp. of Spalato. And. Windsor offers Carleton 600*l.* for the lease [of Wraysbury]. Parliament has passed nothing in eighteen or twenty weeks, but two subsidies, and some censures. Sends the declaration of the Commons House of Parliament about foreign affairs. With postcript from Lady Savile, sending a present.

June 8. Knowsley. 86. Earl of Derby to the Council. His deputy lieutenants have held the musters in Lancashire and Cheshire, and find all defects supplied.

June 8. 87. Bond of Geo. Dunscombe to Agnes Heydon, both of London, in 100*l.*, for payment of 66*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* before June 24, 1623.

June 9. London. 88. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Parliament sent a deputation to thank the King for giving them their choice about adjourning; he reproved them for trifling, and attacking individuals, instead of reforming the State. The Commons did not read the Commission for adjournment, but chose to adjourn as of themselves; they framed a declaration, which the King at first misunderstood to dictate to him as to his treaties, but was afterwards pleased with it. He requested the release of the Earl of Arundel, on his making submission to the House, and that the Prince should compound the difference between him and Lord Spencer, which was granted. The Lord Chancellor has obtained leave to go to his own home, and is talked of as President of the Council. Many reports of changes of offices detailed. Sir Thos. Wentworth, of Yorkshire, and Sir Edw.

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Montague, to be made Barons. Sir Edw. Villiers was cleared by the House of Lords, but had nearly fallen into disgrace through his bragging of it. Lord Doncaster had 10,000*l.* given; Marquis Hamilton as much, for his journey to the Scotch Parliament, and Lord Digby much more; but little good is hoped from him. Religion is in ill case at home, no succour being ordered for the poor French Protestants who flock over. Church promotions.

June 9. 89. Grant to John Ferris, master cook, on surrender of Martin Basill, of a pension of 50*l.* per ann. With note of its enrolment in the Exchequer, Oct. 3, 1661.

June 10. Doctors' Commons. 90. Jas. Hussey to Sir Geo. Calvert. Reminds him of the letter he promised to procure from Counsel to the Judges of Assize for Dorsetshire, concerning Forester, a prisoner for scandalous words. *Annexed are,*

90. I. *Examination of Wm. Dolberry, of Pool. Heard* [*Isaac*] *Forester say, that the Archbp. of Canterbury was in disgrace, because he and others of the Council opened and replied to the Palsgrave's letters to the King, asking advice about the Crown of Bohemia, without His Majesty's privity; that the Archbp. of Spalato was made Bp. of Windsor without fresh consecration, being already esteemed a Bishop; that land would soon sink in value, &c. March* 2, 1621.

90. II. *Examination of the Same and Thos. Lovell, to the same effect. Forester said that the Bp. of London was confined to his room, and had cut his throat; and that if the match with Spain were concluded, the King's throat would be cut in a few years, and then it would be seen which was the right religion. March* 6.

90. III. *Examination of Isaac Forester, of Newby Castle, Sturminster. Heard and repeated the reports about the King of Bohemia, but denies most of the speeches of which he is accused. Blandford, March* 8.

90. IV. *Examination of Cicely, wife of Wm. Dolberry. Heard Forester say, that if the Spanish match was concluded, the King's throat would be cut in a few years. March* 9.

90. V. *Examination of John Oliver, of Pool, and Thos. Lovell, of Sarum. To the same effect as No.* 89. II. *March* 9.

June 11. Dover. 91. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. Request that the Lord Treasurer will renew his command to Jacob Braems, appointed Customer in Dover, not to erect a new custom house near his own house, being a very inconvenient place, and the present custom house very conveniently situated.

June 11. Yarmouth. 92. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the Council. Though the Commissioners appointed have certified the necessity of some assistance towards maintaining their piers and haven, they have as yet received

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none. It would be an injury and disgrace to the country if an ancient and important port were allowed to go to decay.

June 11. 93. Esme Stuart, Earl of March, and Oliver Lord St. John, to the Council. Have completed the trained bands for Huntingdonshire, but omitted the general musters, they being made late last year. *Inclose,*

93. I. *Certificate of musters of the trained bands for Huntingdonshire. Total,* 400 *foot and* 50 *horse.*

June 11. Whitehall. 94. The Council to [the Lord Lieutenants of Counties]. The state of the militia becoming more important on account of the unsettled condition of Christendom, they are to hold musters yearly, and see that the bands are well armed and exercised and kept always ready for any sudden occasion, and especially for suppressing tumults.

June 11. Sandwich. 95. [Commissioners for the passage] at Sandwich to Lord Zouch. Have imprisoned Alex. Wye, of Gloucestershire, who landed near Sandwich, assuming the name of Saviolo, and refuses the Oath of Allegiance. *Inclose,*

95. I. *Attested statement that Alessandro Saviolo describes himself as the son of Geronimo Saviolo, of Piedmont.*

95. II. *Fras. Pauli to Alex. Wye, at La Fleche. Reproves him for his letter of invectives against himself and friends, all which are patiently borne.*

95. III. *John Fermor to Father Ran. To intercede with his father that he may leave off learning Latin, thinking philosophy and other studies will be more advantageous to him on his return home; has not heard from his brother and sister Morgan. La Fleche, May* 25.

95. IV. *Notes out of letters from Robt. de Sta. Maria, Paul Wood, and others, to* [*scholars?*] *at La Fleche.*

June 12. Greenwich. 96. Sir Thos. Edmondes to [Carleton]. All resolutions are pending on Lord Digby's negociation. The King has sent word to the King of France that he will assist those of the religion who are sending deputies for the purpose, but necessities are too pressing to do much for others, though the people are well inclined. Lord Doncaster's embassy cost 20,000*l.*, and Lord Digby has 40,000*l.* and a pension of 2,000*l.* a year. His Majesty has declared his intention to revoke monopolies and redress grievances, which were grown to such a height that the kingdom would have been undone but for the calling of a Parliament.

June 12. 97. Petition of Margery, widow of Sir Wm. Gratwick, to Lord Zouch. On her husband's death, went to reside at Seaford, at a house left her by him, but is much troubled by Thos. Elfick, jurat, who maliciously oppresses her with charges, &c.; requests his Lordship's mediation between them. With note by Nicholas, that the cause being now in Court, his Lordship cannot appoint arbitrators, but will be glad of their appointment in Court.

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June 13. Dover. 98. John Reading to Lord Zouch. Renews his request that the French Protestants at Dover, being more than 100, may have the use of the Church on certain days of the week. Their minister is Mr. Carto, of Dieppe. The persecution increasing, more of them are expected.

June 13. 99. The Council to the Justices of Assize for Nottinghamshire. To examine and proceed in the cause of Denis Mannings, of Bingham, accused of seditious words against the King and State.

June 13. 100. Lord Treasurer Mandeville to the King. Certifies particulars of lands in Chipping Wycombe, co. Bucks, Dartford Manor, and Cobham, &c., Kent, which cannot be said not to be in charge, because the patents are on record, but not enrolled. Thinks the petitioner, Sir Jas. Auchterlony, might have the arrears of rents due therefrom, as they were discovered by him.

June 14. Whitehall. 101. The Council to the Lord Chief Justice and Baron Denham. Request their opinion on the petition of Giles Herbert, relative to some lands contested between him and Geo. Courtenay.

June 14. 102. The Council to the East India, Turkey, French, Eastland, Merchant Adventurers', and Spanish Companies. Desire them to choose experienced persons from each of these Companies, to consult on the best means of managing the exchange of moneys, so as to encourage the import of silver, and prevent its export.

June [14]. 103. Draft of the above.

June 14. Special licence to Sir Geo. Hayes to import and sell any glass melted and made in Scotland. [*Grant Bk., p.* 345.]

June 15. Greenwich. 104. The King to the Council. To commit the Earl of Southampton to close custody with the Dean of Westminster, Sir Rich. Weston to be his Keeper, and to allow him no intercourse with any other person.

June 15. 105. Petition of the Bailiff and Jurats of Seaford to Lord Zouch, for his interposition to end the disorders caused by Lady Gratwick and her sons, who will not pay lawful taxes, but threaten and abuse the authorities, and refuse to answer to a process against them in the Chancery Court at Dover; by which proceedings the government of the corporation sustains great injury.

June 17. 106. Answer of Edw. Gratwick to the allegations of the Bailiffs and Jurats of Seaford. Lived quietly in Seaford whilst in amity with Thos. Elfick, but being chosen Jurat and appealed to by the poor to procure restoration of certain common lands, moneys, &c. detained from them by Elfick, his endeavours for redress excited the malice of Elfick, who caused exorbitant rates to be levied on him, which he refuses to pay. Is not guilty of misdemeanor, and can prove the truth of the words he spoke against certain Jurats.

June 17. 107. Petition of Dame Margery Gratwick and Roger and Thomas, her sons, to Lord Zouch. Deny the allegations of the Jurats and Bailiff of Seaford, and request his Lordship to compose their differences.

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June [17 ?] 108. Statement that the export of money is caused by the love of the gain which accrues therefrom, on account of the undervaluation of English money abroad, and that its import is similarly prevented by the loss on foreign coin. The merchants of the several companies are to report on the propriety of a proclamation regulating the standard of exchange.

June 18. Whitehall. 109. Order in Council, that the report of the merchants on the importation of silver be further considered, but the Lords think it best for some agreement to be made with neighbouring states for a due correspondence in the value of the coins now used.

June 18. 110. Order in Council, that, understanding Lepton's patent, submitted to them by the King, for making all bills and letters in the Court of the Council of the North, to be a general grievance, the consideration of it is referred to Visct. Falkland and others.

June [18]. 111. [The Council] to the Officers of Customs. The consideration of Sir Robt. Mansell's patent for glass, referred to them by the King, being respited till his return from his Majesty's service, they are meanwhile to suffer no glass to be imported to the infringement of his patent, except glass made in Scotland.

[June 18.] 112. Petition of the Bailiffs, &c. of Colchester, to the Council, for permission to train a company of 200 men chosen by the town to military discipline, as practised in the Artillery Gardens by the Londoners, and in other places.

June 18. Dover. 113. Commissioners of the passage at Dover to Lord Zouch. Detain in custody Owen Shell, who obstinately refuses the Oath of Allegiance. *Inclose,*

113. I. *Examination of Owen Shell, of Westmeath, Ireland. Has studied medicine three years at Douay. Has always been a Catholic. Will not take the Oath of Allegiance. Dover, June* 12.

June 18. 114. Mayor, &c. of Sandwich to Lord Zouch. Send up, by order from Sec. Calvert, Alex. Wye, who refused the Oath of Allegiance.

June 20. 115. Bond of Rich. Bagwell, of Great Marlow, co. Bucks, in 32*l.*, to pay 16*l.* to Geo. Harrison, of London, on June 22.

June 21. London. 116. Earl of Devonshire and Lord Cavendish to the Council. Were unable to be personally present at the musters of Derbyshire, because of their attendance in Parliament, but they were held, and all found or made complete by their Deputy Lieutenants.

[June 21.] Whitehall. 117. Petition of Mary, widow of Robt. Essex, to the Same, for relief, being left with eight children, destitute of means, except 1,700*l.*, due to her by Sir Edw. Greville, which she is too poor to recover by law. With reference thereon to the Master of the Rolls, June 11, cancelled, and second reference to the Lord Chief Justice.

June ? 118. Petition of the Same to the Same, that her cause may be referred to one of the judges, the Master of the Rolls, to whom it was

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first referred, being so occupied that he cannot attend to it, and meanwhile she and her children in danger of perishing.

June 21. 119. The Council to the Lord Chief Justice of the Common Pleas. Refer to his decision the petition of Mary Essex, a poor gentlewoman, unable to pay the prosecution of her suit.

June 21. 120. The Same to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London. Request them to grant the freedom of the city to Hen. Maiors, long a soldier in Ireland, &c.; he is too poor to purchase it, but needs it to enable him to keep hackney horses.

June 23. London. 121. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. Sir Fras. Michell was degraded from his knighthood, by the breaking of his sword and spurs before the Earl Marshal's Commissioners. The Dean of Westminster is sworn of the Council, and will be Lord Keeper; he is to be made Bp. of Lincoln, the Lords objecting that so mean a man should leap over their heads; his youth is another drawback, he being only forty years old; but the King said that he was resolved to have no more lawyers, for they were so nursed in corruption that they could not leave it off, and that he knew of none so fitting as the Dean, unless it were the Bp. of Durham, to whom all objected, and so the Dean was chosen; he was intimate with Lord Chancellor Egerton, professes to follow his steps, and gathers his old servants about him. The Lord Treasurer announced that, during the interim of Parliament, a proclamation will be issued, suspending all monopolies till they can be examined into, and allowed or abrogated. The Earl of Southampton is in custody, but Sir Rich. Weston declining to be his keeper, Sir Wm. Parkhurst is appointed. Sir Edw. Sandys and Selden, "a lawyer, and studious of antiquities," are also committed, and a commission appointed to examine them; divers rumours of the cause of committal, but it is asserted not to be for anything done in Parliament. The Earl of Southampton refuses to answer, lest he should be drawn "ore tenus" into the Star Chamber, but asks to know the charges against him, and to see his accusers. The late Chancellor has removed from Fulham to his house at Gorhambury, and is vain and idle as ever; his fine of 40,000*l.* to the King, so far from hurting him, proves a bulwark against his other creditors. His chaplain Lewis has run away to Paris. Carleton blamed for not pressing earlier the East India business, which may now lead to a breach with Holland. Sir Dud. Diggs' conduct in Parliament approved by all; he is likely to rise.

[June 23.] 122. List by [Sir Robt. Heath] of fifteen patents which the King in his own judgment condemns, and of others which he refers to the Council to report on. Also of subjects which are referred to Council, to consider whether, by proclamation or otherwise, satisfaction may be given to the subject thereon. The other patents granted by the King to be reviewed; the Exchequer revenue to be looked into, &c.

[June 23.] 123. Copy of the above.

June 23. 124. Another copy [by Nicholas], with slight differences.

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June 23 ? 125. List [prepared for consideration in Council] of patents pronounced grievances, or questioned in Parliament, some of which the King absolutely condemns, and others he refers to the examination of Council; also list of ninety patents which are similar in character and therefore likely to be questioned; and of other things moved in Parliament as grievances, which it would be well to rectify during the vacation.

June 24 ? Ipswich. 126. Customer and Officers of Ipswich to [the Council?] Certify, by order of the Lord Treasurer, the commodities usually imported from the United Provinces, by their port and its members.

June 24. Yarmouth. 127. Certificate of merchandise brought into the port of Yarmouth and its members, from the United Provinces, during the past year.

June 24 ? 128. Certificate of the commodities brought into the port of Newcastle, from the United Provinces.

June 25. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 129. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Has recovered from his ague, and hopes to see him in Oxford. Directs him to purchase for him a pair of perfumed and embroidered gloves, as a present for his valentine, his patron's daughter. Inquires if the next advowson of the prebend be granted. Indorsed with note of a reply.

June 26. London. 130. Wm. Stannard to Sir Edw. Conway. Has paid 50*l.* to Sir Edward, his son. Money affairs. General Vere is in great straits, but hopes to be relieved by the King of Denmark; his men are four months' pay in arrear.

June 27. Greenwich. 131. Duke of Lenox to Lord Zouch. Requests a buck from Odiham Park, for a friend.

June 27. Whitehall. 132. Examination of Geo. Withers. Wrote the book called Withers' Motto. Mr. Taverner refused him licence to print it, but others offering to print it, he sold them the copy for five pieces. Showed it to Mr. Drayton and several others before printing; thinks there is nothing in it contrary to the proclamation restraining writing on matters of government. By the enemies whose downfall he said he had lived to see, meant the late Earl of Northampton.

June 30. 133. The Council to the Bp. of Norwich, Sir John Wentworth, Sir Thos. Wynn, and the Aldermen of Norwich and Yarmouth. The haven and piers at Yarmouth being needful to the neighbourhood, and the preservation of the port an honour to the kingdom, they are appointed commissioners to inquire into the present funds of the haven, the decays thereof, the sums necessary for repairs and yearly maintenance, and the best means of raising those sums.

[June 30.] 134. Petition of Margery, wife of Simon Court, jun., to the Council. Complains that Simon Court, her husband's uncle, who had 900*l.* given him by her father on her marriage, on condition of settling his estates at Slowe, Somersetshire, on his nephew, her husband, has allowed them to be sold to a younger brother, without provision for her maintenance. Requests that the matter may be referred to the Lord Bishop of the diocese. With order thereon.

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June 30. 135. Petition of Fras. Michell to the King, for liberation after nineteen weeks' imprisonment and degradation from knighthood, and release from the rest of his censure, being old and sickly. With order thereon granting the petition.

June ? 136. Queries proposed to the Earl of Southampton on his several examinations, with his replies. He was not unfaithful to the King in the House of Lords, but cannot answer for the conduct of any, however near him, in the Commons, every one being free there. Conversed sometimes with members of the Commons, but did not plot, either during Parliament or in the Easter recess, to thwart his Majesty's ends, or to send over the subsidies granted direct to the King of Bohemia, without their passing through the Exchequer. Has not expressed discontent against Government, but has spoken freely, as did others, of evils in the State; denies saying that no reforms would be made whilst one man wholly governs the King, or that he liked not to come to Council, there being so many boys and base fellows there. Wore his sword in the House, because others do so. Also queries as to his conferences with others, upon the adjournment of Parliament, the King's offer to make it a session by passing a few bills, a benevolence for Lady Elizabeth, and the Spanish match; also on his intercourse with Baron Dona, his correspondence with the Brownists, his wish for the House of Commons to have judicial powers, &c.

June. 137. John Philpot to Lord Zouch. Remonstrates on the injunction issued against the hearing of his cause [with Mr. Lovelace]. Hopes his Lordship will not be prejudiced against him, but will himself give the cause a fair hearing.

June ? St. Alban's, Wednesday. 138. Nich. Kendall to [the Earl of St. Alban's]. Requests to submit to him, rather than to the Lord Keeper who is about to be declared, the review of a decree of his Lordship against his brother and himself, in behalf of Thos. Kendall. Would not add in Parliament time to his afflictions, arising from his liberality to his creatures, who have betrayed their creator. Awaits in the town of St. Albans an appointment for an audience.

June. 139. Propositions presented to Council, for better restraint of unlawful transportation of ordnance; viz., that none be made but in two authorized foundries, all be brought to the Tower wharf, and sold at East Smithfield, on certificate and bonds for its employment only in shipping and colonial forts, &c. With reference thereon to the Commissioners of the Navy.

June ? Grant to Thos. Russell of the sole exercising of the art of refining and extracting silver out of lead and copper ores, in England, Ireland, and Wales. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 67.]

June ? 140. Petition of Ambrose Wheeler and Thos. Woodward to the Council, for renewal of a writ of injunction to their creditors, to forbear molesting them until they have received a debt of 3,720*l.* 3*s.* 6*d.*, due to them by the late Queen [Consort]. With a list of names [of the creditors? by Sec. Calvert].

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June. 141. Thos. Lord Windsor to [the Council?] Complains that on Saturday, June 16, certain constables forced their way into his house contrary to his privileges, to arrest one of his servants on a charge of murder, his servant being severely wounded. Requests reparation.

June? 142. Petition of Claes Stavele, mariner, to Lord Zouch, for restoration of what has been saved from his ship Ark Noah, wrecked on the Godwin Sands, one third of which belongs to the savers, and the rest to his Lordship. With report thereon.

June? 143. Petition of Rich. Heneker to Lord Zouch, for a Commission to decide a controversy between himself and Thos. Huffam, of Dover, who tries to defraud him of the rents of lands belonging to the Priory of Dover, which he holds in lease from the petitioner.

June. 144. Petition of the Merchant Adventurers resident in London, to the King, in reply to the proposition of the Master of the Wards, that they should allow the outports to share in the trade of new draperies. They consent, on condition of the merchants paying their share of the charges of the company, of no London interlopers availing themselves of this permission, and of its being confined to new draperies, and not extended to broad cloths, kerseys, &c.

June? 145. —— to the King. Requests that a survey be taken throughout His Majesty's dominions, twice every year, of all strangers.

June? 146. Statement of the inconveniences arising from the extraordinary influx of strangers, and proposal to appoint an officer to register and swear them.

June? 147. Brief of Statutes of Richard III. and Henry VIII., against merchant strangers harbouring or employing more than two journeymen or four servants, who are not the King's subjects.

June? 148. Petition of the City of London to the King, complaining of the loss incurred by aliens living under more favourable conditions than natural subjects; praying him to institute a commission to inquire into the laws and constitutions respecting them, and to suggest regulations for their future government. [*See Commission July 30 following.*]

June? 149. Statement that on inquiry made into the grounds of the above petition of the citizens of London, it is found that aliens have exceeded the bounds of law, and, being free from public charges, enrich themselves at the expense of the subject. Proposal for a commission to consider the best mode of repressing them, without detriment to the revenue, or to the manufactures, or offence to foreign nations.

June? 150. Similar statement, enlarged. The chief points to be redressed are the usurpation by aliens of retail trades, and of handicraft manufactures, and their non-submission to English rules concerning apprentices; propose the powers to be given to the Commissioners, and the heads of the commission.

June? 151. Propositions for the chief officers of every town to register and take account yearly of the number of aliens, their families, servants, and apprentices, and for officers of customs to do the same, on their arrival or departure, on payment by the aliens of certain fees.

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June? 152. Proposition for establishing an officer for registering aliens and strangers throughout England, to compel them to keep apprentices, not to sell by retail, nor at fairs, to take the Oath of Allegiance, &c.

June? 153. Note of fees paid for taking the Oath of Allegiance, aliens being enjoined to pay the same fees as native subjects.

154. Memoranda [by Sir Robt. Heath] on the modes of dealing with aliens, retailers, warehousemen, clothworkers, and manufacturers, &c.; on the duties to be paid by them on cloth, baize, madder black for dyeing, &c.; and on the modes of preventing deceits therein. Suggestion for ryals of eight to pass current in England at 4*s.* 9*d.*, each.

June? 155. ——— to "Your Worship." States that it is found impossible to levy a rate on goods woven by strangers, by the piece, as they frequently sell small quantities from the loom, and proposes to lay a quarterly house tax upon them and their journeymen instead. Also desires the overthrow of that devilish invention of looms brought in by strangers, which, by working twelve to twenty-four shuttles at once, are the destruction of many poor.

June? 156. Statement of privileges usurped by aliens contrary to the laws of the realm, and proposal that they should have certain privileges legalized, on their payment of a small duty to the King.

June? 157. Memorandum of matters to be moved to the Council concerning strangers, and the orders to be followed with those allowed to remain.

June? 158. Proposal for erecting a commission to exact the Oath of Allegiance and certain annual fines from all foreigners, so as to discourage their too rapid increase, the number in London being 100,000.

June? 159. Motives to induce the King to grant a patent for restriction of strangers in trade, and for their registration.

June? 160. Suggestions for the regulation of merchant strangers, that a registry be kept and yearly renewed of their names, residences, and trades, and that they have licences granted to trade independently, though forbidden so to do by former laws, under certain conditions, similar to those in the following paper.

June? 161. Conditions and regulations proposed for the intended grant of incorporation to the Dutch and French congregations of strangers in England; that they shall not sell by retail, shall keep apprentices, and pay a fine on their profits of 12*d.* per pound, &c. Favour to be shown to the French, lately come over on account of the troubles.

June? 162. Proposed grant of incorporation to the French and Dutch congregations of merchant strangers, on payment of certain sums annually, and on submission of their ordinances to the approbation of the Archbp. of Canterbury and the Lord Chancellor.

June? 163. Statement [by Sir Robt. Heath], that the strangers in London embrace 100 professions, in all of which the English complain of losing their work. Proposal to meet the case by a general yearly registration of strangers, by exacting a certain quarterage from them, in proportion to their station, and by forbidding them retail trades,

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1621. or going to fairs or markets. Similar regulations to be adopted at Norwich, Canterbury, Colchester, Sandwich, and Dover.

June ? 164. Regulations proposed for aliens, viz., a quarterly tax on regis tration, subjection to the laws of apprenticeship, prohibition to sell by retail, and a tax for handicraft men who are allowed to work for themselves.

June ? 165. Regulations relative to aliens, approved both by the English and foreigners, that, on submitting to certain restrictions, keeping apprentices, and not dealing in retail, they may lawfully exercise handicraft trades, paying a tax therefor.

June ? 166. Abstract of certain ordinances proposed for regulation of aliens, both merchant strangers and handicraftsmen, compelling them to keep apprentices, not to sell by retail, and to repair to an office appointed for their registration.

June ? 167. Instructions by the King on the proportions of tax to be paid by handicraftsmen strangers, on the scale of 12*d.* in the pound.

June ? 168. Note of moderations proposed to be used in the execution of a commission relative to the registration of and restraints on merchant strangers.

June ? 169. Petition of Geo. Budart and other aliens of Sandwich, to the Council, for relief from suits at law, commenced against them by informers, concerning selling or exchanging the fine short wool, which they cannot use in their trade of new drapery, although such sale is permitted by proclamation.

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July 1. Oatlands. 1. Petition of Lord Fitzwilliam, Sir John Strangways, and others, to the King, for redress from wrongs sustained by them, as sureties for the debts of the late Sir Thos. Bridges, from the fraudulent attempts of Edw. Bridges, the son, aided by Sir Geo. Speke, his father-in-law, to convey away the lands which Sir Thomas held in Somersetshire, value 1,200*l.*, which were liable for the said debts. With reference thereon to the Council.

July 1. 2. List of captains, lieutenants, and ensigns, for Sir John Ogle's company.

July 3. Whitehall. 3. The Council to Lord Zouch. To send up Michael Constable and John Clapton, prisoners at Dover, to be committed to the Clink.

July 3. Grant to John Hoskins of the office of Justice, in cos. Carmarthen, Pembroke, and Cardigan, during pleasure. [*Grant Bk.*, *p.* 344.]

July 5. Creation of Thos. Lord Darcy, of Chiche, to the rank of Visct. Colchester, with reversion to Thos. Savage. [*Ibid.*, *p.* 342.]

July 5. Brasen nose College, Oxford. 4. Principal and Fellows of Brasen nose College, Oxford, to Lord Zouch. Enoch Stephens, recommended to them by the Council, at his Lordship's desire, cannot be admitted Fellow of the College, not being a bachelor; beg leave to make a free election among themselves, and not endanger their oaths by admitting a stranger.

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July 5. Westminster. Grant to Stephen Aynscombe, of Mayfield, Sussex, of pardon for transportation of iron ordnance without licence, and of exemption from forfeiture of the bonds which he entered into concerning ordnance. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 68.]

July 5. Westminster. Grant to Anne Cooke of pardon for child-murder, the evidence being unsatisfactory. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 69.]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Art. Harris, of Hockley, Essex, of pardon of the King's moiety of two fines of 80*l.*, adjudged upon him, on two informations for engrossing oats, and of imprisonment for nonpayment of the same. [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

July 6. Creation of Hen. Lord Hunsdon to the rank of Visct. Rochford. [*Grant Bk., p.* 344.]

July 6. Plymouth. 5. Mayor of Plymouth to the Council. Landing of forty-eight French Protestants, refugees from St. Martin near Rochelle. St. John's [St. Jean d'Angely] yielded to the French King's forces, but the conditions of surrender are violated.

July 6. 6. Estimate [by the Commissioners of the Navy] of the expense of repairs required for the docks, wharfs, and storehouses at Portsmouth. Total 493*l.*

July 7. 7. Mr. Treswell's note of exceptions and cautions to be made in demising leases of the King's coppice woods.

July 7. Westminster. Grant to Sir John St. John and Edw. Hungerford, of a fine of 10,000*l.*, assessed by Parliament on Giles Mompesson, and also of all his goods and chattels devolving on the King, except an annuity of 200*l.* on the new waterworks; granted in trust to the use of Lady Mompesson, for relief of her and her child. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 71.]

July 9. Dover. 8. Sir H. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. The Lord Treasurer hopes now to find money for the repairs of Dover Castle, but says twenty castles must be pulled down to save expense. Particulars of the assizes at Maidstone, and other official matters. There are 100 French Protestants in Dover, who support themselves, and have service three times a week in St. Mary's Church. Report of a battle of the English fleet with the Turkish pirates, in which six of our ships were lost.

July 9. 9. Questions in theology and philosophy discussed at the University of Oxford, July 7 and 9. Printed. Latin.

July 9. 10. Copy of the above. [Indorsed by Laud.]

July 9. Westminster. Grant to the City of Coventry of confirmation and extension of charters; with new privileges, grant of two new fairs, and licence to purchase 300*l.* per ann. lands in mortmain. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 72.]

July 10. Special licence to the Master of Trinity House, Hull, to purchase a messuage. [*Grant Bk., p.* 346.]

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July 10. Grant to Benj. and Sam. Henshaw of the office of Collector of imposts in the ports of Sandwich, Ipswich, &c., for life, with the fee of 100*l.* per ann. [*Grant Bk., p.* 345.]

July 10. Whitehall. Proclamation of the King's pleasure for suspension, during interim of Parliament, of certain grievances therein complained of, viz., disturbances by informers, exorbitant fees in Chancery, the patents for the making of gold and silver foliat, dressing of arms, export of list shreds, making tobacco pipes and playing cards, and many others; also granting to the outports licence to share the privileges of the Merchant Adventurers in the export of new draperies; renewing the former proclamation against the export of wool and fullers' earth; revoking the orders restraining the sale of Welsh cottons to particular places, and permitting free trade therein; licensing export of Welsh butter when the price is only 3*d.* or 4*d.* the pound; and forbidding the export of iron ordnance. With declaration of the willingness of the King and Council to hear and redress all just grievances, but cautioning the people against idle clamours. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 94.]

July 10. 11. The Council to the Earl of Northampton, President of Wales. Notwithstanding previous orders, Fras. Mansell still detains in his hands certain moneys destined for the erection of a free grammar school in Carmarthen. Urge the immediate execution of the orders for payment of the money, that the work may no longer be hindered.

July 10. 12. Examination of John Marriott. Withers' motto was not called in question till the first impression was sold and the second preparing, which Mr. Taverner licensed, after striking out certain passages. Never sold any copies since, but they were printed and sold by Nich. Oakes. Was brought by the Stationers' Company before the Archbp. of Canterbury, and fined 10*l.*

July 10. 13. Examination of John Grismond, stationer. Thinks Withers' motto was only questioned because printed without licence from the Stationers' Company. After their fining Marriott, Nich. Oakes printed and sold 6,000 copies more, and says the Stationers' Company will support him in so doing.

July 10? 14. Note, by Thos. Trussell, that on July 7, Mr. Oakes, the printer, told him he had done nothing about Withers' book without consent of the Stationers' Company, who will procure his discharge if he be committed.

July 10. 15. Declaration by Ambrose Smithe, that Mr. Steward, a stranger to him, whom he met at a drinking-house, wished to borrow 100*l.* from him, and, on his refusal, repeatedly challenged him to fight, which he also refusing, Steward waylaid him on his departure, and drew his sword against him, on which both were bound over to keep the peace.

July 10. 16. Declaration of Geo. Smithe, confirming some of the above statements.

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July 12. Folkestone. 17. Thos. Philpott to Lord Zouch. Mr. Mills, Bailiff of Sandwich, offers to surrender his place to Philpott's brother. Begs his Lordship's influence that Edw. Kelk, to whom the reversion was granted, may accept a composition for it.

July 12. 18. Examination of Nich. Oakes, printer. Printed Withers' motto from a printed copy, not knowing it was unlicensed. Bought the title-page ready printed, with Marriott's name on it, and used it without his consent. Had printed it before he knew of its being questioned in Stationers' Hall, and was fined when Marriott was. Knows not who bought the books.

July 12. 19. Examination of John Grismond. Sold many copies of Withers' motto to Lounds, warden of the Stationers' Company, who daily sent for them, after he had accused and fined him and Marriott for printing them.

July 12. Lambeth. 20. Sir Geo. Paul to Buckingham. The Lord Treasurer animates his kinsman to proceed against himself and his daughter. Has prosecuted him for a libel, but the Treasurer will not allow the case to be heard. Begs leave to prefer the petition against him in Parliament, which his Lordship had previously stayed. He will be found more corrupt than the late Lord Chancellor, and there will be an uproar, when the House meets, against him and against the speedy liberation of his creature, Michell, from Finsbury Gaol.

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Robt. Sheppard, Rector of Hepworth, diocese of Norwich, of pardon for simony, of which he has been falsely accused. Granted at his own request, for his further security. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 73.]

July 13. 21. Examination of Hen. Earl of Oxford. Has not expressed discontent with the King and Government. In talk with Sir John Leedes, Mr. Nevill, and Mr. White, said that he was glad the Prince was present in Parliament, on the day when the quarrel took place between the Earl of Essex and Lord Digby about breaking the orders of the House, as he feared that, but for respect to him, it would not have ended in words. Has often expressed his dislike to the Spanish match as favouring Popery, and has wished the treaty broken off, thinking the King would be deluded in the end. Never said he intended to go abroad again. Has spent much time and money in the service of His Majesty's children, without either thanks or approbation.

July 13. 22. Commissioners of the Navy to the Council. The Berkshire men refuse to carry 200 loads of timber for the use of the Navy, because the timber lies two miles within Hampshire, and they demand more money than the King's prices. Request assistance.

July 14. London. 23. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King has reconciled Sir Edw. Coke and his lady, but it is thought she has made a condition on behalf of Lord Hollis, who is in danger of fine at Coke's suit. The King has made the Dean of Westminster Lord Keeper for a year and a half; if he behave well, he is to retain office a year and a half longer, and then to surrender it; he is to consult one of the Chief

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Justices in all cases of importance. Baily, Bp. of Bangor, is sent to the Fleet, for disputing malapertly with the King on the Sabbath; also Dr. Price, for something in his sermon at Oatlands. The prevaricator of Cambridge is expelled the University, for saying that in a banquet to which he invited his companions, he would have all sorts of instruments except Gondomar's pipe. Creations of peerages. The Lord Chief Justice has married Sir John Butler's daughter. Visct. Doncaster is going Ambassador to France, with allowance of 20,000*l.* or 25,000*l.* Sir Edw. Herbert is recalled thence, for challenging Luines the favourite, and Sir Edw. Sackville is to succeed him. Sir Thos. Roe is to succeed Sir John Eyre at Constantinople, and Alderman Halliday Sir Thos. Smythe, as Governor of the East India Company. The Earl of Southampton still in custody, and Sir Edwin Sandys kept more closely. The Earl of Oxford committed to custody, and also Sir John Leedes, Nevill, and others, for idle words. The King has issued a large proclamation, revoking patents complained of in Parliament as grievances; he is at Theobalds. The Polish Ambassador has 12,000*l.* lent towards conveying over his Irish regiments. Much salmon caught in the Thames.

July 15. Exeter. 24. Wm. Kifte, Vice Admiral of Devon, to Buckingham. A French war ship of Rochelle has arrived at Dartmouth, with a merchant vessel which she took as a prize, the goods of which have been sold in the town. As the captain of the ship has only a commission from the town of Rochelle, which is at hostility with the French King, has ordered the Mayor of Dartmouth to stay the ships and their company till his Lordship's pleasure be known, but he refuses compliance. *Incloses,*

24. I. *Mayor of Dartmouth to Vice Admiral Kifte. Sends examinations of the captains of the two ships, but cannot detain the vessels, having orders from Council to liberate all prizes brought into the port belonging to the King's friends and allies, and to restore them to their true proprietors. Dartmouth, July* 14. *Incloses,*

24. II. *Examination of Jas. Ferrant, of St. Martin's, near Rochelle, master of the ship Religion. Was sent to land at Guernsey two members of the Rochelle Assembly, who were thence to go to Normandy, to levy men and arms for the French Protestant churches. On his return, took the bark John of Conquet, laden with oranges and lemons, which he has sold for* 20*l.*; *which bark the magistrates of Dartmouth, where they were driven by weather, have re-delivered to its master. July* 14.

24. III. *Commission of the General Assembly of the Reformed Church of France and Sovereignty of Bearn, held at Rochelle, and compelled to defend their liberties against those who abuse the confidence of their lawful King, to Jas. Ferrant, appointing him Captain of the ship La Religion, and authorizing him to make war on any vessel belonging to their enemies, &c. Rochelle. May* 3. *French.*

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July 15. Theobalds. 25. The King to Lyon King-at-Arms and his Brother Heralds of Scotland. Requires them to enrol on record a grant made to Hen. Carey, lately created Visct. Falkland of Scotland, of supporters to his arms; viz., in dexter, a unicorn argent, armed or, with a collar of roses, and in sinister, a lion proper, crowned or, with a collar of thistles. Latin.

July 15. 26. Copy of the above.

July 16. Dover. 27. Mayor of Dover to Lord Zouch. Contradicts a false report that a young man of Kinsale had been stayed at Dover, and his property taken from him. Owen Shell, an Irish physician, landed at Margate, and was stayed for refusing to take the Oath of Allegiance, but is now liberated by his Lordship's order.

July 16. Edmund Hall. 28. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Was much pleased with his company, &c.

July 17. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 29. The Same to the Same. Is sorry old Mr. Evelyn hastens to Dean; is not ready to entertain him; cannot study there so well as at Oxford, and has only sermons that will last four or six weeks. Family affairs.

July 19. Creation of Sir Lionel Cranfield to the rank of Baron Cranfield. [*Grant Bk., p.* 309.]

July 20. Westminster. Grant to John Holland of the office of Falconer, in place of John Barkley. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 74.]

July 20. Whitehall. 30. Earl of Arundel to Carleton. Thanks for his present of a Dutch picture of Æneas flying from Troy, which is in colouring like Caravaggio. Will keep Carleton in mind, in any changes that may occur at Court, but the favour in which he is held by the King and Buckingham renders other influence needless.

July 21. London. 31. Chamberlain to the Same. The Earl of Arundel is made Earl Marshal; he refused 2,000*l.* a year pension with the office, and only accepted the ordinary fee of 20*l.* a year. Buckingham visited the Earls of Southampton, Northumberland, and Oxford, Sir Hen. Yelverton, and others in confinement, and the three Earls are set at liberty, Northumberland after fifteen years' imprisonment; he is still restrained to within thirty miles' compass of Petworth; he received many congratulations and will visit his daughter Lisle. Capt. North, Sir Hen. Yelverton, Sir Edw. Sandys, Mr. Selden, and Floyd, liberated. In Dr. Laud's sermon on the King's birthday, he touched Serjeant Finch's book of the Calling of the Jews.

July 21. 32. Account [by Sackville Crow] of his disbursements [for Buckingham], out of 1,000*l.* received from Mr. Packer, including 100*l.* given to Ben Jonson.

July 21. Westminster. Declaration of the King's pleasure, that, notwithstanding a doubtful clause in the charter of incorporation lately renewed to Maidstone, Kent, the Justices of Peace for the county are empowered to keep their sessions at Maidstone, and punish all misdemeanors that may ensue there. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 75.]

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July 21. Ampthill. 33. The King to the Earl of Salisbury. His stock of deer being much wasted, requests him to spare him a brace of bucks from Hatfield Park, to bestow on the men of Northall.

July 21. Ampthill. 34. The Same to the Earl of Nottingham. Requests him to give orders for delivery of deer to the foreign Ambassadors, from the several parks, according to a list subjoined; viz., three each to the Ambassadors of France, Spain, Venice, and Holland.

July 21. Ampthill. 35. The Same to the Same. For warrants for delivery of deer, as follows:—To the Mayor and Aldermen of London, 21; the Cloth-workers' Company, 4; the Farmers of Customs, 4; the Navy Committees, 2; the Judge of the Admiralty, 2; Sec. Calvert, 1; Dr. Atkins, 2; the Tellers of the Exchequer, 4; Lady Digby, 2; Lady Wroth, 1; Sir Pat. Murray and Mr. Lazomby, 2; the Bricklayers' Company, 1; and 3 for Cheshunt.

July 22. Hatfield. 36. Earl of Salisbury to the Council. Has personally attended and completed the musters in Hertfordshire, and finds the people more conformable than usual.

July 24. 37. Lord [Zouch] to Sir Edw. Zouch. Much regrets that the Archbp. of Canterbury's sport is spoiled by his accidentally shooting Peter Hawkins, the Keeper [at Bramsell], who thrust himself behind a buck at which his Grace was aiming.

July 24. 38. Schedule of taxations of the Commissioners of Hertfordshire, for the first payment of the second subsidy of 18 Jac. I.

July 24. 39. Estimate [by the Commissioners of the Navy] of the charge of victuals and wages for the Red Lion and Convertive, for forty-two days, in order to bring them from Malaga to England. Total, 1,102*l.* 10*s.*

July 25. Hampton Court. 40. Warrant, by the Earl of Nottingham, to the Keeper of Havering Park, for delivery of one buck of the season to the bearer, for the French Ambassador.

July 26. Ashby. Proclamation enforcing strict observance of the proclamation of Dec. 24, against licentious and bold speaking or writing in matters of state. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 95.]

July 26. London. 41. Elders and Deacons of the Dutch Church in London to the Council. Are utterly unable to levy the 26,000*l.* demanded by Sir Noel de Caron, being much burdened with the increase of poor, owing to the decay of trade. The agreement for 60,000*l.* was made without their sanction.

July 26. 42. Commissioners of the Navy to Sir Robt. Pye and Sir Edw. Wardour. Of the monthly allowance of 800*l.*, for July, for the Navy, the Surveyor is to have 470*l.*, and the Victualler 330*l.*

July 27. Commission to Chas. Earl of Nottingham and Chas. Baron Effingham, to be Lieutenants in co. Surrey. [*Grant Bk., p.* 339.]

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July 27. Lambeth. 43. Sir Noel de Caron to the Council. Requests assistance in procuring payment of 26,000*l.*, the balance due to him as composition from the merchants whom he redeemed from their fines; 24,000*l.* only having been as yet paid by them. *Incloses,*

43. I. *Names of fourteen of the Council who stand bound to Sir Noel de Caron, for payment, with interest, of* 20,000*l.*, *borrowed from him for His Majesty. July* 25.

July 27. London. 44. Ministers, Elders, and Deacons of the French Church to the Council. Beg to be excused from levying the great sums demanded by Sir Noel de Caron, few of those concerned in the export of gold belonging to the congregation, and those few being poor men; their ministers are dependent on the voluntary benevolence of the people, and their adoption of the plans suggested to raise the money would cause the abandonment of the church and their ruin.

July 27. Laverstoke. 45. Sir Thos. Lambert, Sheriff of Hampshire, to the Same. Has taken measures to prevent the felling of any more timber in Havant Thicket, but little has lately been cut there.

July 28. London. 46. Chamberlain to Carleton. Rumours of promotion to office. The Lord Keeper will retain the Deanery of Westminster; Dr. Laud is to be Bp. of St. David's. Dined with the Bp. of Winchester, and met Mr. Selden there. Nothing has passed at the Council table to Carleton's disadvantage, but Sir Noel de Caron was blamed for stating that Commissioners from Holland were coming over in June on the East India trade, whereas they have not yet arrived. It will go hard with the Bp. of Bangor, for, his answers being unsatisfactory, he is accused of simony. The Bp. of Winchester answered before the King certain arguments of Dr. Hackwell, the Prince's chaplain, who wrote to dissuade the Spanish match, because all Papists are idolaters. Sir Robt. Mansell and his fleet are recalled to guard the Narrow Seas. The Archbp. of Canterbury, going into Hampshire to consecrate a chapel for Lord Zouch, has had the misfortune to kill his keeper, when shooting at a deer.

July 28. 47. Sir Dudley Diggs to [the Same]. The Earl of Southampton is released from restraint, but has still a keeper with him. The Lord Keeper is only a probationer, and is to resign in eighteen months. Archbp. Abbot, at Lord Zouch's house in Hampshire, shot at a deer, which, leaping up, the arrow struck the deerkeeper, who was hidden behind the herd, though he had been that morning warned not to go in the way. The King says none but a fool or a knave will think the worse of him for such an accident, the like of which had once nearly happened to himself. The coroner's inquest returns a verdict of death by misfortune and his own fault. Lord Digby receives no favourable reply from the Emperor. Wishes the King would take advantage of the zeal of the people, who have no thanks for their forwardness. The East India merchants are very anxious to shake off their conjunction in trade with the Dutch, by the treaty now on foot; the English are very ill used there, and are so exasperated that a rupture is inevitable unless the States send over some impartial men to join with the merchants in the treaty.

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July 30. Westminster. Commission to the Lord Keeper, Lord High Treasurer, Attorney and Solicitor General, and others, to consider of the Statutes concerning aliens, and either to induce them to conformity with the laws already in force, especially regarding not selling by retail and the use of handicraft trades, or to modify the laws, for the better convenience of strangers and good of the subject, under such directions as His Majesty shall from time to time prescribe. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 76.]

[July 30.] 48. Directions given by the King to the Commissioners for Aliens. To take a yearly account of all aliens resident in England; to permit all wholesale merchants to continue their trade, but to restrain all retailers, unless they will submit to restrictions as to servants and apprentices, and pay quarterage as the English in their several companies do, but none who are servants to the English to be taxed except for registration. All strangers to give bond to keep these orders, or else depart the realm, and refractory persons to be dealt with by law, &c.

[July.] 49. Draft of the above.

[July.] 50. Draft of part of the above, with variations.

July 30? 51. Substance of the above, in the third person, with variations, and an additional article that every householder pay 12*d.*, and all others above seven years old, 6*d.*, as a registration fee.

[July 30.] 52. Order in Council, authorizing the Lord Treasurer to take means for suppression of the impost on foreign tobacco by any other than the undertakers, as being contrary to proclamation. With note, by Sec. Calvert, dated July 31, that the order passed the preceding day, in a session held at the house of Sir Fras. Jones, Lord Mayor of London.

July. 53—56. Dr. Lambe, Chancellor of Peterborough, to the King. States the accusations brought against him in Parliament; viz., holding two courts in a fortnight; keeping court in remote places and not in Northampton; spending money in repair of churches; troubling men who leave their parish church to hear sermons elsewhere; commuting penances for money; persecuting converted Papists; punishing a man for coming to church in a dirty dress; citing men for keeping their shops open on holidays; taking illegal fees for probates of wills; and troubling persons for solemnizing clandestine marriages; with his defence on each point. His accuser is Silesby, a scrivener of Northampton, who bears him malice for prosecuting him for equivocation. Particulars of the proceedings against him in Parliament; if they be countenanced, it will be to the detriment of ecclesiastical judges. Four papers, drafts or copies.

July. Order for staying any pardon that may come to the seals for Rich. Owen, for killing —— Butler, until the King's pleasure be further known. [*Dom. Corresp., Dec.* 1623.]

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Aug. 1. Canterbury. 57. Sir Peter Manwood and others [Commissioners of Sewers for Kent] to Lord Zouch. The business of Margate Pier admits of no delay. Doubt whether their commission for the sewers extend to that place; think it should be renewed, and the whole Isle of Thanet inserted. *Inclose,*

57. I. *Report as to the loss of eighteen houses at Margate, and the peril of seventy-four more, and of* 350 *acres of land, by the building of the pier and jetty. Proposition to remedy the evil by erecting two jetties to preserve the houses; the expense to be met by a tax on the pier, which is the cause of the mischief, and on the houses and land.*

[Aug. 3.] 58. The Gipsies' Masque [by Ben Jonson], as performed at Burghley [the Marquis of Buckingham's residence, before the King], giving the names of several of the performers. Imperfect. [*See Nichols' Progresses, vol.* IV., *p.* 681.]

Aug. 4. Edmund Hall. 59. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Private matters.

Aug. 4. London. 60. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Archbp. of Canterbury, immediately on his misfortune, sent to inform the King, who sent him a gracious answer, that such an accident might happen to any one. The verdict on the coroner's inquest was, that [the Keeper] died, "per infortunium suæ propriæ culpæ." Committee of Lords at Guildhall about the payment of the subsidy. The Earl of Arundel will gain 4,000*l.* a year by a grant of the duty on currants. Sir Robt. Naunton has liberty to go where he lists. Entertainment given to the King at Lord Harrington's house at Burghley, lately bought by Buckingham. Dr. Lambe, Commissary of Northamptonshire, a man much complained of during last Parliament, is knighted. A proclamation issued against discussing matters of state, but it is disregarded, and Corantos printed every week, with all manner of news, &c.

Aug. 5. Croydon. 61. Archbp. of Canterbury to Lord Zouch. Thanks for his entertainment at Bramsell. His counsel do not consider the verdict given on the coroner's inquest to be legally drawn up; requests him to resummon the coroner and jury to supply all defects, the credit of his profession being involved, and the enemies of the gospel too ready to slander him.

Aug. 6. Dover. 62. Fras. Raworth to Nicholas. The brotherhood accept kindly Lord Zouch's care. Has told them the pains taken by Nicholas and the other Barons to effect their suit in Parliament. Hopes for a better result in time. *Incloses,*

62. I. *Mayors and Jurats of the Cinque Ports and the Towns of Rye and Winchelsea to Lord Zouch. At their present assembly of brotherhood, have acquainted the officers of the ports with his notification of payment to Abraham*

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Williams, agent of Lady Elizabeth, of the 671*s.* 9*s.* 6*d., contributed by the Cinque Ports towards the Count Palatine and his wife. Thanks for his furtherance of their suit in Parliament. Romney, July* 24.

Aug. 7. Croydon. 63. Archbp. of Canterbury to Lord Zouch. His counsel have changed their opinion about the propriety of resummoning the coroner and jury. Desires that word may be written to Bramsell to signify that the resummoning of the jury was a mistake. Has a clear conscience, and is anxious to do everything with decency, and not give his enemies any advantage.

Aug. 8. Arwanack, in Falmouth Harbour. 64. Sir John Killigrew to Carleton. Is most anxious to know the resolution of the States about the Lizard Light. Fears he must resolve to submit to ruin.

Aug. 8. The Council to the Justices of Berkshire. Are surprised at their refusal to carry at the King's prices 200 loads of timber, felled in Hampshire for building ships for the navy, and require their immediate compliance. [*Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 9.]

Aug. [9]. 65. The Same to the Committee for the merchants' fleet in the expedition against pirates. The fleet, being unable to brook the sea longer, is recalled, but some ships are to remain in the Narrow Seas, where the Victory and Dreadnought are now sent, and other of the King's ships will be detained, for defence of trade; as this chiefly concerns the merchants, they are required to add a fitting proportion of vessels to those supplied by His Majesty.

[Aug. 9.] 66. Draft of the above.

Aug. 9. 67. Note of the above.

[Aug. 9.] 68. Order in Council that Lord Brooke give directions to the Victualler of the Navy for immediate provision of a month's victuals for the Rainbow, which is to remain in the Narrow Seas, until further orders can be issued by the Lord Admiral, now in progress with the King.

Aug. 10. Grant to Owen Griffith of the office of Attorney General in cos. Anglesey, Carnarvon, and Merioneth, during pleasure. [*Grant Bk., p.* 344.]

Aug. 10. Hague. 69. Sir Dud. Carleton to the Earl of Northumberland. Congratulates him on his deliverance from restraint. Retains a grateful sense of his past favours, and begs him to believe that his late inattention to him proceeded only from the restraints imposed by his official employment. Has always served his Lordship's friends when opportunity offered.

Aug. 11. London. 70. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. Arrival of four of the King's ships and four merchantmen. The former are watching for the Dutch East Indiamen. Private business.

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Aug. 12. Rufford. 71. Petition of Thos. Musgrave to the King, that a commission may be issued to inquire into the crimes and misdemeanors of Sir Rich. Bendloss. With reference thereon to the Archbp. of Canterbury and Sec. Calvert, and their report that they find the accusations unsupported by proof, but have bound the parties to prosecute and answer to them in the usual courts. *Annexing,*

71. I. *Articles of misdemeanor charged against Sir Robt. Bendloss,—that he declared the King was of no religion; dissuaded the benevolence for the King of Bohemia as a dangerous precedent, and thought the English King mad to allow the Spanish Ambassador to export ordnance, in order that we may be beaten with our own weapons; also that he oppresses the poor with vexatious suits, and has risen to an income of* 3,000*l. a year by oppression and usury; that he is guilty of polygamy, incest, &c., refuses to keep a curate in the rectory of Garstang, which he has purchased, whereby* 600 *persons are destitute of services, uses the cloak of Puritanism to conceal his crimes, and holds conventicles and entertains silenced ministers at his house.*

Aug. 12. Croydon. 72. Archbp. of Canterbury to Lord Zouch. Requests private assistance for the Comptroller of his house, sent to set in order his business in Hampshire.

Aug. 12. Rufford. 73. Endymion Porter to his wife Olive Porter. Letter of affection.

Aug. 13. Monday. Hickes Hall. 74. Names of the Commissioners for the subsidy of Middlesex, who were present at the assessing of Sir Fras. Darcy, Sir Fras. Ashby, and others, Justices of the Peace.

Aug. 14. 75. Grant to John Williams, Dean of Westminster, Bp. Elect of Lincoln, and Keeper of the Great Seal, of licence to retain his Deanery in commendam, because the usual residence of the Chancellor being otherwise employed, he has no other residence near the Court; also of dispensation from personal attention to the duties of the Bishopric and Deanery, as long as he holds the Great Seal, on condition of his taking care that they be not neglected. Latin.

Aug. 14. Blandford. 76. Particulars of the rates at which the Commissioners for the subsidy in Dorsetshire have assessed themselves and the other justices of the peace, towards the subsidy granted 18 Jac. I., varying from 60*l.* to 10*l.*

Aug. 18. London. 77. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King was so much pleased with his entertainment at Buckingham's that he made some verses on the subject. The Earl of Arundel has 2,000*l.* pension, instead of the grant of currants. The Lord Keeper has the Deanery of Westminster in commendam. Clouds gather round the Archbp. of Canterbury and Sir Edw. Coke. The Duke of Lenox has taken a lease of Hatton House. Death of Lord Chandos. Merchant ships are pressed in the river, for service either against the Hollanders or the French fishermen, who spoil the fishing by unlawful nets, &c.

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Aug. 19. 78. Certificate, by the Earl of Nottingham, of the services of Capt. Jas. Chester, in sundry naval engagements specified, from 1597—1602, and as deputy to Sir Wm. Monson, in the Narrow Seas, 1606—1616.

Aug. 20. Kingston. 79. Commissioners for the subsidy for Surrey to the Council. Have met and assessed themselves for the subsidy. *Inclose,*

79. I. *Amounts at which the Commissioners of the subsidy for Surrey respectively assessed themselves, being from* 50*l.* *to* 20*l.* *Kingston-on-Thames, Aug.* 20.

Aug. 22. Edmund Hall. 80. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Private affairs.

Aug. 23. Stafford. 81. Commissioners for the subsidy in Staffordshire to the Council. Have met and assessed themselves at the sums specified in their schedule.

Aug. 23. Maidstone. 82. Commissioners for the subsidy in Kent to the Same. Have met and assessed themselves, those who are at less than 20*l.* being either lawyers or not justices of the peace. *Inclose,*

82. I. *Schedule of the taxation of the Commissioners of subsidy for Kent, towards the first payment of the second subsidy of* 18 *Jac.* 1. *Aug.* 23.

Aug. 23. London. 83. Wm. Stannard to Sir Edw. Conway. Private money affairs. Will buy in winter stores of coals, wood, beer, &c., at Austin Friars.

Aug. 23. Westminster College. 84. Lord Keeper Williams to Carleton. Has no merit beyond others of his calling, and never sought for advancement, but, as long as the King continues his trial of him in his present post, will gladly serve Carleton.

Aug. 23. Norwich. 85. Sheriffs of Norwich to the Council. Request directions about Sam. Turner, who, being condemned for horse-stealing, was reprieved, and shipped for the East Indies, but falling sick on the voyage, landed and returned home without leave, thereby forfeiting his reprieve. He has since been indicted for horse-stealing.

Aug. 24. Winchester. 86. Justices of Hampshire to the Same. State the sums at which they have respectively assessed themselves [for the subsidy], varying from 40*l.* to 10*l.* each.

Aug. 24. 87. Valuation of three fields of corn at Marclift, taken by the bailiff constable and borough of the town, at request of Sir Edw. Conway.

Aug. 25. 88. Locke to [Carleton]. The Lord Keeper requests Lady Carleton to lay out 100*l.* for him in table and other linen. [Thos.] Murray confined to his house for not acquainting the King with the intention of Mr. Hackluit [Hackwell], chaplain of the Prince, to present a book to the Prince against the Spanish match, although Murray did not favour the presentation, and had warned Hackluit that it was both

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dangerous and fruitless to attempt to alter resolutions of state by discourses. Capt. North has obtained restoration of his goods, sequestered by the Spanish Ambassador's means.

Aug. 25. Shoreham. 89. Commissioners for the subsidy in Sussex to the Council. Certify the sums at which they have assessed themselves for the subsidy, varying from 50*l.* to 10*l.* each.

Aug. 25. 90. John Woodford to Sir Fras. Nethersole. Has arrived at Penshurst, with his lady, who is better than before her journeyings began.

Aug. 27. Durham. 91. Schedule of the rates at which the Commissioners of subsidy for Durham have assessed and taxed themselves, varying from 53*s.* 4*d.* on lands of 20*l.* to 8*s.* on those of 3*l.*, being at the rate of two fifteenths on lands, and one twelfth on goods; total 21*l.* 5*s.* 4*d.* Latin.

Aug. 28. Lunningstone. 92. Sir Peter Manwood to Lord Zouch. Excuses himself for detaining a letter, having been engaged with the subsidy business, the general meeting at Maidstone, &c. Is ill at his brother, Sir Percival Hart's.

Aug. 28. Petworth. 93. Earl of Northumberland to Carleton. Thanks for congratulations on his restoration to liberty, and for kindness shown to [his son] Algernon. Thinks it an honour that one formerly dependent upon himself has risen to so important a post.

Aug. 28. 94. Wm. Chesterman to Sir Edw. Conway. Lord Digby handsomely treated by the Emperor. Bethlehem Gabor and his Hungarians burn the villages about Vienna. News from Germany. The Arminians persisting to hold an assembly in Rotterdam, several were shot down by the Governor's troops, and the preacher taken. Deputies from Rochelle say that they have discovered traitors who would have delivered the town to the French King. An English fleet is going to sea to attack the Dutch East India fleet, on which the States prepare to send over Commissioners to satisfy the English East India Company. The Lord Keeper and Laud refuse to be consecrated by Archbp. Abbot.

Aug. 29. Westminster. 95. Patent conferring on Thos. Earl of Arundel and Surrey the dignity of Earl Marshal of England, with the right of carrying the golden stick engraved with the King's arms and his own, and a fee of 20*l.* per ann. as thereunto appertaining. Latin.

Aug. 29. Westminster. 96. The King to the Council. To consider of means for restraining the importation of logwood, because proposals for its suppression being brought before Parliament, it is feared that during the interim of its sittings, large quantities may be brought in and secreted. It is to be seized, and all destroyed, except 6*l.* worth per ton, reserved for the seizer.

Aug. 29. Croydon. 97. Archbp. of Canterbury to Lord Zouch. His unhappy accident has been a bitter potion, on account of the conflict in his conscience, for what sin he is permitted to be the talk of men, to the

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rejoicing of the Papist and insulting of the Puritan. Some friends think he takes too much care about it, some too little, but the King is gracious to him.

Aug. 30. Easthampstead. 98. The King to Sir Geo. Calvert. To give order for release of the Earl of Southampton from restraint, and of Sir Wm. Parkhurst from attendance on him as his keeper.

Aug. 30. Harrington House. 99. Lucy Countess of Bedford to [Carleton]. Lord Chandos' death was hastened by drinking Spa water; he died in his coach on his way homeward. Waits directions about sending over a page to the King of Bohemia for Duke Charles, as the King wished for Will Gombleton.

Aug. 30. Edinburgh. 100. Earl of Dunfermline to Robt. Abercromby. Requests delivery of letters enclosed, to the Ambassador of Venice, Alex. and John Achmouty, and other friends at Court.

Aug. 30. Braintree. 101. Commissioners of the subsidy in Essex to the Council. Have met and assessed themselves for the subsidy. *Inclose,*

101. I. *Names of the Nobility, Subsidy Commissioners, &c. in Essex; with rates at which the latter stand assessed for the subsidy.*

Aug. 30. Commission to Visct. Mandeville and others, to receive the accounts of Hen. Visct. Falkland, Master of the Jewel House. [*Grant Bk., p.* 341.]

Aug. 31. Portsmouth. 102. Ant. Hill to Lord Zouch. Montauban holds out bravely against the French King; and M. Chatillon and M. Rohan propose to raise the siege. Rochelle is to be blockaded by sea. Much pillage at sea by the Bretons, under colour of the Rochellers, so that English vessels cannot venture near without an escort, &c.

Aug.? 103. Directions to the Attorney General to search in the Rolls and elsewhere for a certain commission issued in Archbp. Grindall's time; with his report that no such commission can be found, but that there was a power delegated to Aubrey and Clerk to perform the Archbishop's offices, execute all instruments, &c. Also order to the Attorney, by the King's command, to draw up a commission delegating all jurisdiction of the Archbp. [of Canterbury], to certain bishops to be named by the King, such power being vested in His Majesty by right of his Crown.

Aug. 104. Zouch Tate to Nicholas. Private affairs.

Aug.? 105. Petition of the inhabitants of the parish of St. John the Baptist, Isle of Thanet, to Lord Zouch, against his decision that part of the profits of the pier at Margate should be employed to defend the houses against the encroachments of the sea, the pier being poor, and its funds needed for its own repairs or rebuilding, if swept away, as two other piers have been. [*See August* 4.]

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Aug. ? 106. Journal of the Algiers expedition under Sir Robt. Mansell, from their setting sail, 12th October 1620, to their return 3d August 1621, containing statement of the daily progress made, with accounts of every action of each ship, a list of all the ships and their captains, &c., by J. B., who went in the voyage. Printed, with MS. annotations [by John Coke].

Sept. 1. 107. Order in Council, that, according to the King's directions, Sir Wm. Parkhurst be released from attendance on the Earl of Southampton, and the Earl set at liberty.

Sept. 1. 108. The Council to Sir Wm. Parkhurst. Discharge him from further attendance on the Earl of Southampton.

Sept. 4. 109. Note of the distribution of 22*s.*, given by Sir Thos. Hatton, lying at Croydon one night, [to the servants of Archbp. Abbot].

Sept. 5. 110. [Commissioners of the Navy] to the Warden and Company of Shipwrights. Request them to choose six or more competent persons to survey and report on the tonnage and quality of building of two ships of war, the Swiftsure and the Inheritance, lately built at Deptford.

Sept. 5. Exeter. 111. Justices of Tiverton to the Council. Send examinations on unseemly speeches against the King, made by Wm. Sharpe, who is bound in sureties of 1,000*l.* to appear before Council, or at the next gaol delivery.

Sept. 8. 112. Locke to Carleton. Archbp. Abbot has kept secluded ever since the accident; he is much afflicted, and ill-fortune is prophesied for him. The Lord Keeper conducts himself nobly; he has procured the full enlargement of the Earl of Southampton, and another deanery for Dr. Bowles instead of Westminster, from which he retains no profit but the use of the deanery. Sir Edw. Villiers is to be sent to persuade the King of Bohemia to withdraw from the States' army, Spinola not to attack the Palatinate, and Count Mansfeldt to remain quiet during the treaty, &c.

Sept. [8]. Whitehall. 113. [The Council to the Sheriffs of Norwich]. To suspend proceedings against Sam. Turner, a reprieved prisoner, returned to England, his return being not voluntary but caused by sickness, and to detain him till further directions.

Sept. 8. Restitution of the temporalties of the Bishopric of London for the Bp. of Lincoln, now elected Bishop. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Presentation of Wm. Lange to the vicarage of Bradworthy and the chapel of Week St. Pancras, diocese of Exeter. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 8. Grant to Dr. Randolph Barlow of the deanery of Wells. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 9. 114. Notes, by Mr. Treswell, that the woods of Morffe Forest are decayed, the land chiefly used as common, very unsuitable for deer, and much of it let on lease.

Sept. 10. Dover. 115. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord [Zouch]. Has been obliged to deliver up three prisoners who were sent for, his Lordship's absence from London not allowing time to receive special directions. [Robt.] Garrett chosen Mayor of Dover. Rochelle blockaded by the King of France's troops.

Sept. 11. 116. Certificate of Auditor Fras. Phelips, that he finds no records of fees allowed to the Steward of Morffe Forest, co. Salop, nor of leases of the lands, except two of small value. Supposes the profits must be paid into the Pipe Office.

Sept. 11. 117. Locke to Carleton. The Archbp. of Canterbury has attended the King to the sermon, for the first time since the accident.

Sept. 11. Whitehall. 118. Circular letter from the Council to the [Mayors, &c.] of seaport towns. To send up a deputy of experience in the affairs of the port, who may represent its interests, and assist in advising remedies for the decay of trade and scarcity of corn, which the King wishes the Council to consider of, and will then recommend to Parliament. [*Sent to twenty principal seaports of the kingdom. See Council Register.*]

Sept. 12. Canterbury. 119. Sir Hen. Mainwaring and Robt. Garrett, Mayor of Dover, to Lord Zouch. Have viewed the ruins made by the sea at Margate. The jetty built adjoining the pier is the cause of the danger. Think the pier wardens, though unwilling, should bear the charge of repairs laid on them by the Commissioners of Sewers, and that the commission should be renewed and strengthened, that the work may be well furthered before winter.

Sept. 12. Canterbury. 120. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to the Same The Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich oppose his Lordship. Has committed the Constable of Sandwich to Dover Castle, for refusing to act upon his Lordship's warrant, and requiring one from the Mayor.

Sept. 12. Westminster. 121. Exemplification, at request of Giles Parsons, of a Commission of Queen Elizabeth to the Lord Mayor and others of London, to prevent the removal of prisoners for debt from Ludgate to other gaols, and to sit four times a year to make compositions between them and their creditors, so as to further their liberation.

Sept. ? 122. Rules to be observed in the keeping of prisoners at Ludgate gaol, appointed for imprisonment of freemen of London committed for any offence but felony; they are to have the option of buying their own diet, &c. where they please, or to be served by the officers of the gaol at the average prices, as a penny per gallon for ale, a penny for a bushel of coals, &c., their lodging not to exceed 1*d.* a night, or, if lodged and boarded by the keeper, 2*s.* or 3*s.* per week, &c. Constant inquiry to be made into their condition and the fulfilment of these rules.

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Sept. 13. 123. The Council to Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Thos. Lowe, and Sir Wm. Cockayne. His Majesty, having performed his part of the agreement for the contribution to the expedition against pirates, undertaken for the benefit of merchants, is surprised at the backwardness of the merchant companies in raising their quota. Request immediate completion thereof.

Sept. 13. Whitehall. 124. The Same to the Officers of Customs. The Merchant Adventurers having obtained licence to levy 1*d.* in the pound on all their exports and imports, for payment of 3,000*l.* per ann., towards suppression of pirates, no entries of such exports and imports are to be allowed, even though the customs be paid, without certificate from the Treasurer of the Company that this tax has also been paid.

Sept. 13. Grant to Sir Isaac Sidley, of Great Chart, Kent, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Safe conduct for Angelus Jacobi. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Congé d'élire to the Dean and Chapter of Exeter, for electing a Bishop. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Letter to the Same, recommending Dr. Carey, Dean of St. Paul's, to be elected Bishop. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Grant, with survivorship, to John Shepley and Edm. Harrison, on surrender of John Shepley, of the office of Embroiderer to the King. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Presentation of Gervase Hubbald to the Rectory of Rendlesham, diocese of Norwich. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 14. Grant to Robt. Browne, of Walcot, co. Northampton, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 14. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 14. Grant to Wm. Wellens of an almsroom in Christ's Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 15. 125. Capt. Roger North to Sir Albert Morton. Being ordered to certify to Council the amount of custom upon his tobacco, finds it is 7,000 lbs., which, at 9*d.* per lb., will be 262*l.* 10*s.* There will also be expenses of house-room, porterage, &c.

Sept. 15. Whitehall. 126. Order in Council, that, though a contribution of 40,000*l.* in two years by the Merchant Companies was at first thought to be sufficient for the expedition against pirates, it is now found necessary to continue the service, and therefore the merchants are required to continue their contributions, to send bills of exchange for victualling and clothing, for three months longer, the crews of the ships which

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still remain with Sir Robt. Mansell, and to set forth such ships as shall be in proportion to those now sent by the King to the Narrow Seas.

Sept. 15. 127. Draft of the above.

Sept. [15]. 128. Petition of the Mayor, &c. of Norwich to the Council. Archbp. Parker having left an annuity of 28*l.* per ann. to Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, on condition of the yearly maintenance of five grammar scholars, to be appointed by the Mayor, &c. of Norwich from the schools there, two of whom are to be always elected fellows, the College does not fulfil the conditions of the bequest, defrauding the scholars of part of their allowance, and not duly electing them fellows. Request reference of the cause to the Bp. of Norwich and Dr. Clement Corbett.

Sept. 15. 129. Locke to Carleton. Archbp. Abbot has been again with the King, and it is hoped all will now go well with him. The merchants are to fit out four ships for the Narrow Seas, or elsewhere, four being fitted out by the King. The French Protestants come to England apace for refuge; a general collection is to be made for them.

Sept. 16. Haverford West. 130. N. Overbury and J. Hoskins, Judges of Pembrokeshire and Caermarthenshire, to the Council. The wools of those counties are chiefly bought by the clothiers of Bristol, Somersetshire, and Devonshire, who convey them home down the Severn; but since the late Proclamation forbidding export of wools, the customer of Milford has stayed those wools, whereby the price of wool is fallen, and the inhabitants are in great distress. Request renewal of a former order, permitting wool to be sent from port to port, on condition of its being manufactured within the kingdom.

Sept. 16. Bedford. 131. Commissioners for the subsidy in Bedfordshire to the Same. Have assessed themselves answerably to their present estate. *Inclose,*

131. 1. *Schedule of assessment rated upon themselves by the Commissioners of the Subsidy for Bedfordshire, varying from* 25*l.* *to* 10*l.*

Sept. 16. Theobalds. Proclamation for restraint of export of corn and grain, until the King is assured that there is more than sufficient to supply the kingdom, the cold summer having caused a deficiency of supply. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 96.]

Sept. 17. Lynn-Regis. 132. Certificate, by the Officers of Customs, of all native goods and merchandise brought into the port of Lynn from the United Provinces, since Midsummer last.

Sept. 17. Westminster College. 133. John Williams, Bp. Elect of Lincoln, Lord Keeper, to Drs. Laud, Dean of Gloucester, Corbett, Dean of Christ Church, and Langton, President of Magdalen College. They being designed electors to the new Professorship of Moral Philosophy at Oxford, founded by Dr. White, recommends to them Wm. Price, an eminent student of Christ Church, as first professor.

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Sept. 17. Grant to John Horton, on surrender of Wm. Wheatly, of the office of Master Carpenter at the Tower. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 19. Bridgewater. 134. Commissioners of subsidy for Somersetshire to the Council. Have so exerted themselves in collection of the subsidy, that, in spite of the decay of trade, and of the scarcity of money, occasioned chiefly by import of Irish cattle, this subsidy, it is hoped, will equal any former one. Almost all the justices of peace are, according to their Lordships' order, rated at 20*l.* in land.

Sept. [19]. Theobalds. 135. [The Council to the Justices of Peace of cos. Surrey, Essex, Middlesex, Hertford, Cambridge, and Huntingdon]. The highways in those counties being much decayed, they are to take immediate order for their repair before winter, especially in those places where the King may have occasion to pass.

Sept. 19. Note of passes granted by Council to Wm. Bois to travel for three years, and to Nich. de Vergier to go into France. [*Dom. Corresp., Sept.* 15, *No.* 126.]

Sept. [19]. 136. The Council to the Archbp. of Canterbury. To issue orders to the Bishops for collections to be made in every parish church for relief of the French Protestant refugees; the money to be distributed by direction of the minister and elders of the French church in London.

Sept. 19. 137. Copy of the above.

Sept. 21. Sandwich. 138. Certificate, by the Officers of Customs, of goods imported from the United Provinces of the Low Countries into the port of Sandwich.

Sept. 22. 139. Certificate, by the Commissioners of Buildings, of certain new buildings erected contrary to proclamation, within the city and liberties of London, since Michaelmas 1615.

Sept. 22. 140. Locke to Carleton. The Lord Keeper stays the Earl of Arundel's patent [for the Earl Marshalship] from passing the Great Seal, but the Earl executes his office nevertheless, by virtue of the staff given him by the King, and makes no suit about the patent. Arrival of Sir Robt. Mansell and his fleet in the Downs. The ship James has just come in from the East Indies, &c. *Incloses,*

140. I. *Inventory of spices, silks and jewels, brought in the ship James.*

Sept. 23. 141. Commissioners for the subsidy in Dorsetshire to the Council. Certify the sums at which they have assessed themselves, according to their several estates.

Sept. 24. Hampton Court. 142. Order in Council, that, notwithstanding their former decision that Malaga is not in the Levant, and that Malaga wines are exempt from the tax due on all Levant wines landed at any other port than Southampton, the ultimate determination of the cause be left to a trial at common law.

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Sept. 24. Special Commission to Rich. Ryves and others, to dig for treasure supposed to be in certain parts of a down in the parish of Upway, co. Dorset. [*Grant Bk., p.* 339.]

Sept. 24. Dover. 143. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. The Constable of Sandwich was not conveyed to Dover Castle. The town resisted on the ground of their charter, which, however, does not limit the Lord Warden's authority. The Duke of Maine is shot at Montauban; there was a riot between Protestants and Papists, when his body was taken to Paris, and a massacre was feared. *Incloses,*

143. I. *Information of Thos. Fulnetby, that Hen. Foster, Constable of Sandwich, refused, upon a warrant of Lord Zouch, to assist him in impressing sailors for the King's service, and required the warrant of the Mayor. Sept.* 13.

143. II. *Sir Hen. Mainwaring to the Mayor of Sandwich. Reproves him for allowing the constable, Hen. Foster, committed to his charge by the Boder of Dover, to make his escape; cautions him to amend his error, lest evil constructions be put on his conduct. With note that no reply was sent to this letter. Dover, Sept.* 13.

143. III. *Statement by Rich. Culmer, Boder of Dover, of particulars relating to the attachment of the Constable of Sandwich. Was told by the Mayor that he did not think Foster would be got out of the town, and Foster escaped whilst passing between the Mayor's house and the Dolphin Inn. Spent several days in attempts to retake him, but in vain. Foster perseveres in disobedience, and complains of urong, and the Mayor says that he cannot prevail to have him sent to Dover. Sept.* 22.

Sept. 25. Patent appointing Sir Wm. Jones Justice of the King's Bench, during pleasure. [*Grant Bk., p.* 346.]

Sept. 25. 144. Bishop and Mayor of Norwich and others to the Council. Have examined the cause of Denis l'Ermite, who complained to Council, that, being made a freeman of Norwich, and frequenting the English church, he was still required by the French church to resort there as formerly; finds that the innovation, attempted by him and followed by others, of leaving their church and refusing to contribute to their ministers, would ruin the Walloon congregation, settled fifty-five years before. Ordered L'Ermite to conform to the French church, which he promised, but now refuses, on some unjust displeasure against the minister; beg that he and his adherents may be summoned before Council, if they will not submit.

Sept. [26]. 145. Mayor and Aldermen of Norwich to Earl Marshal Arundel. Committed Thos. and John Woodhouse to prison, for words disrespectful to the King; but finding these were spoken in drink, have liberated them, on bond for their appearance at the next sessions. *Inclose,*

145. I. *Examinations of Ant. Day, watchman, of Thos. Seamer, Robt. Goodlack, and John Cherry, called in to assist the*

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watch, of the delinquents, Thos. and John Woodhouse, sons of Sir Hen. Woodhouse, and of others who were in their company at a tavern, &c., as to their violent conduct on the night of Sept. 20, *in attacking the watchman who challenged them in the street, drawing sword and dagger against him, &c.; also as to Thos. Woodhouse's speech, on being disarmed, that he would kill the King, if he had so wronged him. They were so overcome with drink as hardly to be able to stand, and remembered little of what passed. Sept.* 21–24.

Sept. 26. The Court. 146. The Council to Lord Zouch. His share of the first payment of the second subsidy is 26*l.* 14*s.* 4*d.*, at the rate of 2*s.* 8*d.* in the pound for 200*l.* Request him to pay it in to Walter James, collector, before Nov. 1.

Sept. 27. Hastings. 147. Melchior Rainolds to Rich. Marsh. Judgment is entered for the King in the cause against Barker, but execution is respited, till the Attorney General is certified thereof.

Sept. 28. Whitehall. 148. Sec. Naunton to Lord Admiral Buckingham. Is informed from Mr. Chamberlaine, a French merchant, that ships of war are prepared at Dieppe, St. Malo, and other French ports, which are to be joined by Spanish vessels and to attack Ireland, in order to divert the King from sending succour to Rochelle.

Sept. 28. Croydon. 149. Archbp. Abbot to the Bishops and Clergy. Commends to their tender affection the cause of the distressed French Protestant refugees in England, and urges them to excite the liberality of others in their behalf, according to a subjoined request from Council. [*See Sept.* 19.]

Sept. 28. Grant and sale to John Williams, goldsmith of London, of certain jewels, as security for a loan to the King of 3,000*l.*, and in discharge of a former loan of 2,000*l.*; to be redeemable on payment of 5,000*l.* within the year. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 28. Grant to John Grymes of the forfeiture of a recognizance entered into by Robt. Grymes and his sureties, and forfeited for his not prosecuting an "audita querela," brought by him against John Grymes. [*Grant Bk., p.* 344.]

Sept. 29. 150. Commissioners for subsidy of the division of Bury, Suffolk, to the Council. Certify the sums at which they have assessed themselves, viz., Sir Nich. Bacon, Bart., 100*l.*, the rest 25*l.* or 20*l.* each.

Sept. 29. 151. Account of payments made to sundry persons, upon Privy Seal grants of the moiety of old debts of the Crown to be recovered by them, from Nov. 1607.

Sept. 29. 152. Locke to Carleton. The Earl of Arundel's patent has passed the Great Seal. The Lord Treasurer has resigned, and been sworn President of the Council; Lord Cranfield succeeds him. Sir Edw. Coke and Sir Edwin Sandys will be sent into Ireland as Commissioners for grievances. The Archbp. of Canterbury is often at

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Court, and well treated by the King. Sir Rich. Weston is sworn of the Council.

Sept. 29. 153. Certificate of native and other goods imported from the United Provinces into Exeter, Dartmouth, Barnstable, and their members, during the last year.

Sept. 29. 154. Certificate of commodities brought into the port of Plymouth, out of the Low Countries, during the last year.

Sept. 30. 155. Certificate presented to the Council of the proceedings of the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Commissioners for Preservation of the River Tyne, since Easter, 1621. Have fined shipmasters allowing ballast to fall into the river, answered the complaints of Cuthbert Bewick, and taken soundings of the river, which is as deep as ever within forty years past.

Sept. ? 156. Note of residence of the captain, lieutenant, and soldiers in the several Castles of Sandown, Deal, Walmer, Sandgate, and Arch-cliff, for the year ending Michaelmas, 1621.

Sept. ? 157. Petition of Dr. John Everard, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the King. Has been long and justly imprisoned on account of rash words in a sermon preached at the Church of St. Martin-in-the-Fields, on Feb. 25, against the Spanish nation, which is in alliance with His Majesty. Prays for pardon, on promise to avoid giving similar offence in future.

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Oct. 2. Shrewsbury. 1. Commissioners for the subsidy in Shropshire to the Council. Send a schedule of the sums at which they have assessed themselves. *Inclose,*

1. I. *Schedule of the rates at which the above Commissioners have assessed themselves, varying from* 20*l.* *to* 4*l.*

Oct. 3. Derby. 2. Commissioners of subsidy in Derbyshire to the Same. Have been careful to appoint fitting collectors for the subsidy, and have informed the other justices of peace of their Lordships' wishes concerning their rates. State the sums at which they have severally assessed themselves, varying from 50*l.* to 10*l.* in land.

Oct. 3. Carlisle. 3. Commissioners of subsidy for Cumberland to the Same. Have so advanced the assessments that they are more than before, although the gentry are generally poor, the country barren and scarce of money, and two thirds of its revenues carried out of the county, by the Prince and nobles to whom they belong. Were never taxed for subsidies before 7 Jac. I., but have strained themselves to pay more than they can well bear. *Inclose,*

3. I. *Schedule of the rates of assessment on the above Commissioners, varying from* 12*l.* *to* 4*l.* *each.*

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Oct. 3. Hereford. 4. Commissioners of subsidy for Herefordshire to the Council. Will answer for the collectors whom they have appointed. Hope their Lordships will remember that, although, near London, justices of the peace can be chosen from gentlemen of ability and sufficiency, yet, near Wales, they are often men of mean estate, taken for want of others.

Oct. 3. Theobalds. 5. The King to the Lord Keeper, Bps. of London, Winchester, and Rochester, and others. To inquire into the nature of the accidental killing of the keeper in Bramsell Park, by Geo. Abbot, Archbp. of Canterbury, whether it amounts to an irregularity or otherwise, in a person of his rank in the church, and to consider the scandal that may have arisen thereon.

Oct. 3. 6, 7. Two copies of the above.

Oct. 3. Risley, Derbyshire. 8. Sir Fras. Darcy to Sir Clement Edmondes. Begs to be excused attendance on the Council as commanded, until spring, on account of his years, small strength, and many affairs in Derbyshire.

Oct. 3. 9. Locke to Carleton. Has let part of Carleton's house to Mr. Gibb, for 60*l.* per ann. Sir Fras. Goodwin retains his part, and Mr. Gibb says there will be room for Carleton, should he come over.

Oct. 3. Letter to the Commissioners of Sewers for cos. Huntingdon, Cambridge, Norfolk, and the Isle of Ely, to appoint a meeting at Huntingdon on Oct. 24, to consider about the draining of those counties. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Grant to John Hewet, of Hedley Hall, Yorkshire, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.* due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Grant to Sir Rich. Hutton, Sir Thos. Chamberlain, Sir Fras. Barnam, and Thos. Crewe, of the fine of 40,000*l.*, imposed by Parliament on Visct. St. Alban's. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Presentation of Dr. Price, King's Chaplain, to the Prebend of Leighton-Buzzard, in the Cathedral church of Lincoln. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 4. Exeter. 10. Commissioners for subsidy [in Devonshire] to the Council. Have advanced the subsidy as much as possible. Most of the justices of peace are assessed at 20*l.*, but the estates of a few will not bear it.

Oct. 5. Whitehall. 11. Order in Council, at request of the Russian Company, that the Ambassador just arrived from Russia with Sir John Merrick, be received by the Lord Mayor of London, as has usually been done, and that, on the company's security, a fitting proportion of the King's plate be delivered for his use.

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Oct. 5. Whitehall. 12. Order in Council, that the claim of Sir Fras. Leek and of the ministers of Derbyshire to the tithe of lead ore being established by several decrees in the law courts, and no point of State involved therein, the petitioners be dismissed from the Council, and ordered to take the benefit of law; with recommendation that their cause be heard speedily, they having suffered loss by delay at the Council board.

Oct. 5. 13. Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Thos. Lowe, and Sir Wm. Cockayne to the Council. Have done their utmost to urge on the payments, by the merchant companies, of arrears of the two first years' contribution against pirates, and of the further sums required, but find many defaulters. The Merchant Adventurers owe 1,000*l.*, but beg that 700*l.* may be taken in gunpowder, bought by them for service of the State. The Muscovy Company owe 1,000*l.*, but allege poverty. The Turkish and Spanish Companies owe nearly 6,000*l.* The French Company owe 1,100*l.*, but excuse themselves on account of the troubles in France. The Trinity House plead that the Council remitted them 1,000*l.*, and have paid the remainder.

Oct. 5. Grant, in reversion, to Ben. Jonson, of the office of Master of the Revels, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 346.]

Oct. 6. Woolwich. 14. Certificate of Joshua Downing and others, by order of the Commissioners of the Navy, that they have viewed the cordage at Woolwich and Deptford, made by Chris. Arnold, and find it good and well made.

Oct. 6. 15. Locke to Carleton. Sir John Suckling is spoken of as the new Secretary, and Mr. Cottington is sent for out of Spain, to take Mr. Murray's place as Secretary to the Prince. Sir Rich. Weston made Chancellor of the Exchequer, and Lord Brooke Gentleman of the Bedchamber. Report that the Turks have committed Sir John Eyre to prison, and seized the merchants' goods.

Oct. 6. Worcester. 16. Commissioners of the subsidy in Worcestershire to the Council. Send a schedule of the sums at which they have assessed themselves.

Oct. 6. Royston. 17. Proclamation for adjournment of Parliament from 14th November to 8th February.

Oct. 6. Copy of the above. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 97.]

Oct. 6. Warrant to pay to Sir Wm. Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, 7,554*l.* 15*s.*, for discharge of six ships fitted out last year for the Straits, for suppression of pirates. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 6. Grant to Lionel Lord Cranfield of the office of Treasurer of the Exchequer, from Sept. 30 last. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 7. Royston. Proclamation against the drawing up and presenting of bills for the King's signature by any other than his ordinary officers, or by

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them, without the customary warrants therefor, many abuses having arisen by presentation of bills injurious to the State and vexatious to His Majesty. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 98.]

Oct. 8. Commission to Sir Julius Cæsar, Master of the Rolls, to hear and determine causes in Chancery, in the absence of the Lord Keeper. [*Grant Bk., p.* 340.]

[Oct. 9.] 18. Note of proceedings relative to the delivery of the Great Seal to Dr. Williams; that on May 1, 1621, it was fetched from Lord Chancellor Bacon, and taken to the King, who gave it to Sir Julius Cæsar and other Commissioners; that on June 15, John Williams, late Chaplain to Chancellor Egerton, was appointed Keeper, and the Seal delivered to him, July 10, by the King, in presence of the Prince of Wales, and most of the Council, which he received with a short speech, marvelling at His Majesty's benignity, and promising to be a pastor of the sheep, &c.; that he then went to the House of Lords, and took his Oath of Allegiance, and his place as Keeper of the Seal; that he was confirmed Bp. of Lincoln, and on Oct. 9, the first day of Michaelmas term, took his post of office in Westminster Hall, and received the oaths. Latin.

[Oct. 9.] 19. Speech of Lord Keeper Williams on taking his seat in the Chancery Court. Vindicates the principle on which the King has determined to fill the post with one not brought up a lawyer; acknowledges his own insufficiency, but states his willingness to follow the footsteps of his predecessors, and details the mode of proceeding which he means to adopt, viz., to make no decrees contrary to common law; to listen to no motions tending to delay in suits; not lightly to overthrow decrees of his predecessors; not to allow the court to be a shelter for attempted frauds; and to follow out its general rules and customs.

Oct. [10]. Whitehall. 20. [The Council to the Mayor, &c. of Norwich.] Refer Thos. and John Woodhouse to trial at the Sessions, the scandalous words uttered by them seeming to be caused by distemper in drink. [Indorsed with the commencement of the letter No. 24.]

Oct. 10. 21. Order in Council, founded upon the report of the Bp. of Norwich and others [*see Sept.* 25], that Denis l'Ermite and all others of the Walloon congregation in Norwich, although born in England, shall continue to belong to that church, and submit to its discipline, on bond to appear before Council in case of disobedience.

[Oct.] 22. Request of Diego de Castro Cortasar [to the Council], in behalf of Francesco Davila, for payment of certain sums, arrested or to be arrested from the goods of Sir Walter Raleigh, and Mr. Herbert, and others his adherents, in compensation for robberies committed by them in St. Thomas', Guiana.

Oct. 10. 23. Order in Council, made on the above application of Diego de Castro Cortasar, showing that he had come over for satisfaction, on a promise thereof made by the King to the King of Spain,

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and requiring payment to himself of 700*l.*, now in the Exchequer, belonging to Mr. Herbert, associate of Sir Walter Raleigh; the case is referred to the Admiralty Court, with request for expedition and favour to him therein.

Oct. 10. Whitehall. 24. The Council to Sir Thos. Smythe and others [Commissioners for the fleet against pirates]. Reiterate the orders already given them, to prepare good and serviceable ships, furnished with able men and wholesome provisions, for the above service, in proportion to the tonnage of the ships employed by the King.

Oct. 10. Whitehall. 25. Order in Council, that the Spanish and Turkey Merchants jointly take up loans to furnish their quotas of contribution towards the expedition against pirates, now transferred to the Narrow Seas; the loans to be repaid by levies of one per cent. on exports and imports. All differences between them to be referred to Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Thos. Lowe, and Sir Wm. Cockayne.

Oct. 10. Ordnance Office. 26. Estimate [by the Officers of Ordnance] of the expense of ordnance stores to be provided for the ships Nonsuch and Assurance, now to be set forth. Total 238*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.*

Oct. 11. Whitehall. 27. Sir Benj. Rudyard to Sir Fras. Nethersole. Change of officers at Court enumerated. Dr. Donne made Dean of St. Paul's. All things are ready for the match with the Infanta. The Lord Chamberlain's mother [the Countess of Pembroke] dead of the small-pox.

Oct. 12. Bristol. 28. Mayor and Aldermen of Bristol to the Council. On a former proclamation against the export of wools, of Sept. 22, 1615, their Lordships were pleased, on remonstrance of the mischief accruing to the Bristol clothiers, to permit the carriage by water of Welsh wools to Bristol. Request renewal of the order, the officers having stayed the wools purchased by them in Wales the last summer, on account of the renewal of the proclamation.

Oct. 13. London. 29. Chamberlain to Carleton. No certain cause known for displacing the late Treasurer. The office of President of the Council, long disused, is revived and given to him, in satisfaction for 40,000*l.* which he and his family have lately paid for promotions. His followers who bought places about him have had hard bargains, being now thrown on the world. Lord Brooke, late Chancellor of the Exchequer, has lands worth 80*l.* a year with his barony. Sir Julius Cæsar was likely to be removed from the Mastership of the Rolls, in favour of Sir Robt. Heath, but he told the King he would as soon lose life or lands as office, unless convicted of misbehaviour. Dr. Carey made Bp. of Exeter, and Dr. Donne Dean of St. Paul's. The Archbp. of Canterbury reflected on for frequenting the Council, &c. as usual, notwithstanding his late accident, on which a commission begins to sit. The new Lord Keeper went privately to Westminster Hall to take his oath, and made a good speech. The new Lord Treasurer keeps the Mastership of the Wards, but that of the Wardrobe is given to Lord Fielding. All pensions are suspended, for

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necessity has no law. Death of the old Countess of Pembroke; she was carried by torch-light, with many coaches, towards Wilton, to be buried; she left no will; the Lord Chamberlain retains only her jointure, and gives her personal estate to the Earl of Montgomery, and 120*l.* or 140*l.* a year to Dr. Lister, who is well worn in her service.

Oct. ? 30. Epitaph on Mary Countess Dowager of Pembroke [by Ben. Jonson], consisting of two verses. [*One only is generally printed.*]

Oct. 13. 31. Locke to [Carleton]. The Lord Keeper thanks his Lordship for the linen. Sends a copy of the merchants' complaints to the Council, on the abuses offered to them by the Hollanders.

Oct. 13. Westminster. 32. Proclamation of a brief authorizing collections in London and the southern and eastern counties of England, by Philotheos, Procurator of the Convent of the Holy Cross of Golgotha, in Jerusalem, in behalf of the monks of the convent, who are constrained to pay 6,000 crowns per ann. for permission to retain their monastery, and 6,000 more to redeem thirteen of their number, condemned to death by the infidels; exhorting all the clergy, church officers, &c. to assist the said collection. Printed.

Oct. 13. Copy of the above. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 98 *A.*]

Oct. 15. Whitehall. 33. The Council to Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Thos. Lowe, and Sir Wm. Cockayne. Are surprised at the slackness of the merchants in bringing in their first-promised contributions against pirates, which are much needed to satisfy the clamours of the mariners now returned. Are wearied with their disputes and delays, and require that they be ordered at once to bring in arrears, and also their proportions towards continuing the fleet in the Narrow Seas; they must borrow what will suffice for the present, to be repaid from the continued imposition of one per cent. on exports and imports.

Oct. 17. Whitehall. 34. Order in Council, that Rich. Slany be permitted to export a quantity of barley for St. Lucas, in Spain, it having been shipped and duty paid before the proclamation prohibiting the exportation of grain, but detained in port by contrary winds.

Oct. ? 35. Petition of Thos. Johnson and John Arnold to the Council, for liberty to export a quantity of buckwheat from Yarmouth, which was stayed in consequence of the restraint imposed for preventing dearth of corn, the Farmers of Customs refusing to pay back the customs which they had paid thereon.

Oct. 15. 36. Muster roll of the garrison of Deal Castle.

Oct. 16. Grant to Visct. St. Albans of a pardon, to be drawn after form of the pardon lately granted to Sir Robt. Cotton, with exception of the sentence passed against him by the Parliament. [*Docquet. See also Docquet Sept.* 28.]

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Oct. 17. 37. Order in Council, on complaint of injury to sundry persons in suits of law, from detention of certain private papers, bonds, &c., which are in Edw. Floyd's trunks, arrested by Parliament, that the Attorney General examine the said papers, and deliver up those only relating to the private affairs of Floyd and others, but none relating to the offence for which he is under censure.

Oct. 18. 38. John Nicholas to his son Edward. Private matters.

Oct. 18. Westminster. 39. Warrant to repay to Lord Digby 10,000*l.*, advanced by him upon credit and pawning of his plate, on his return through Germany, in order to pay the troops of the Count Palatine, who were ready to mutiny for want of pay.

Oct. 19. Whitehall. 40. The Council to the Farmers of Customs and of the impost upon tobacco. Remonstrate against their non-fulfilment of a previous order to deliver to Capt. Roger North, free of custom, 7,000 lbs. of tobacco, by him imported, and require immediate compliance, the patent granted to his company, though recalled, securing free imports for a year.

Oct. 19. 41. Order in Council, that the goods lately arrived from Russia, as the product of the last year's adventure, are not liable to seizure for the debts of the old Muscovy Company, many of the proprietors being new adventurers, who came in on assurance of immunity given by Council, to prevent the utter decay of the trade.

Oct. 19. 42. The Council to the Sheriffs of London. Not to release on bail Geo. Ball, detained in custody on complaint of the East India Company.

Oct. 19. 43. Muster roll of the Garrison of Walmer Castle.

Oct. 20. 44. Sir Thos. Smythe, Sir Thos. Lowe, and Sir Wm. Cockayne to the Council. The Spanish Company refuse to borrow their proportion of the 6,000*l.* in arrear for the contribution against pirates, but the Turkey Company will take up the whole 6,000*l.*, on an Order in Council to have the per-centage of both companies, till both principal and interest are repaid. The French Company can only pay the 1,100*l.* if they may have a per-centage on imports as well as exports. The Trinity House pretend acquittance of the last 2,000*l.*

Oct. 20. 45. Locke to Carleton. The Bp. of Spalato urges payment of the 100*l.* promised him by Carleton for securing him the lease. The Council propose to levy a duty on cambrics, lawns, holland, &c. in requital of the imposition laid by the Hollanders on cloth, since the removal of the [Merchant Adventurers'] Company from Middleburgh.

Oct. 20. London. 46. Chamberlain to the Same. Good conduct of the Lord Keeper in the Chancery Court and Star Chamber. Projected changes of offices at Court, and in the Prince's household. The King going to Burghley in Rutlandshire, to visit the Marchioness of Buckingham,

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and to solemnize young Lord Compton's marriage with a daughter of Sir Fras. Beaumont, the Countess of Buckingham's brother. Sir Thos. Roe is gone Ambassador to Constantinople. Fifty-seven sail of British ships said to be captured by pirates, the late expedition having done nothing but irritate them. Sir Hen. Yelverton has obtained his pardon, which he himself has drawn up, and now practices like a common lawyer. Lord St. Albans, having leave to repair to York House for a fortnight, remained so long that he had warning to return to Gorhambury. The new Lord Treasurer has been, without any pomp, to take his oath.

Oct. 20. 47. Muster roll of the garrison of Arch-cliff Bulwark.

Oct. 20. Letter to the Chief Justice of the Common Pleas, to admit Sir Thos. Somerset to the Clerkship of the Treasury of the Court of Common Pleas, void by the death of And. Windsor. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 22. Grant to Sir Walter Heveningham, and his heirs, of the next presentation to the benefice of Clifton-Campville, done for better settlement for Sir Walter in his former estate thereof. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 22. Royal Assent for Dr. Carey, late Dean of St. Paul's, elected Bp. of Exeter. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 22. Letter to the Lord Treasurer, recommending to him the care of payment for the Duke of Holstein. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 22. 48. Muster roll of the garrison of Mote's Bulwark.

Oct. [22]. 49. The Council to [Maurice Abbot, Nich. Leate, and Rich. Venn,] Commissioners for the merchants' ships in the expedition against pirates. Reprove them for not accepting a bill of exchange for 399*l.* sent by Sir Robt. Mansell, the money being required to hire a merchant vessel, in place of one become unserviceable. Require immediate compliance.

Oct. 24. London. 50. Ministers and Elders of the French Church to the Council. State, in answer to their inquiry for further information, that Simon du Val was eleven years a member of their church, and only eighteen months of the English Church, whither he went only when called before them for misdemeanors. Request leave, as he has declared his intention to be no more a member, publicly to censure and excommunicate him, as a warning to others.

Oct. 24. 51. Order in Council, that the Sheriffs of London restore to the Russia Company certain goods stayed for a debt due by the Company to Thomasine Lee, as administratrix of Wm. Quarles, these goods being declared free from the debts of the old company.

Oct. 24. Whitehall. 52. Order in Council, appointing a Committee to take into consideration the reports delivered by the merchants as to the causes of the decay of trade and the scarcity of coin.

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Oct. ? 53. Statement of the reasons of the decay in trade and shipping, and the scarcity of money within the kingdom, viz., the defective laws between debtor and creditor, the difficulty of obtaining redress therein, &c.

Oct. 24. 54. Order in Council, permitting the transportation of the wools of Pembrokeshire and Carmarthenshire to the ports of Bristol, Barnstaple, and Minehead, on precaution that no wools be thus illegally carried out of the kingdom, and on bonds of the parties concerned that the said wools shall not be landed elsewhere. [*See Sept.* 16 *and Oct.* 12 *supra.*]

Oct. 24. 55. Notes relative to the arrest of John Clarke, Droit Gatherer of Deal, for debt, at the suit of Matt. Mennysse, notwithstanding his plea that he is a servant of the Lord Warden.

Oct. 24. Special commission to Sir Hen. Berkeley to supervise the forest of Lyfield and Beaumont, cos. Rutland and Northampton. [*Grant Bk., p.* 339.]

Oct. 25. Yarmouth. 56. Bailiffs, &c. of Yarmouth to the Council. Edm. Canna, a Franciscan priest, has landed from a Dundee sloop, and wished to proceed in her to Zealand, but the pass which he produced being dated four years before, and ordering him not to return to England without licence, they have detained him, although he declares that he got his pass in September last. [*See Dom. Corresp., Sept.* 17, 1617.] *Inclose,*

56. 1. *Examination of Jas. Patterson, mariner of Dundee, Edm. Canna, an Irishman, was brought to him by two servants of the Archbp. of St. Andrews, five weeks before, with orders to take him abroad, and a promise to pay all his expenses. Oct.* 19, 1621.

Oct. 25. 57. Sir Thos. Smythe to Sir Albert Morton. The Muscovy traders declare themselves disabled, by the extraordinary charges of the Ambassadors to and from Russia, from paying the additional impost of one per cent.

Oct. 26. Whitehall. 58. Order in Council, granting the request of the ministers and elders of the French Church to censure and excommunicate Simon du Val, their censures being for his misconduct, not for his adherence to the English Church, as he pretended.

Oct. 26. Whitehall. 59. Order in Council, empowering the French Company to levy one per cent. on goods imported from Calais, as they do on those from the rest of France, to enable them to meet their debt of 1,000*l.* towards the service against pirates.

Oct. 26. Whitehall. 60. Order in Council, accepting the offer of the Turkey Merchants to advance the whole 6,000*l.* due by them and the Spanish Company for the expedition against pirates, and giving them the required authority to levy one per cent. on the exports and imports of both companies, until the 6,000*l.* be repaid, with interest.

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Oct. 26. Tavistock. 61. Earl of Bath to the Council. Has regulated the payments for musters [in Devonshire] by a rate laid upon houses and lands, rather than on individuals, as being less liable to changes; but the citizens of Exeter who have purchased lands in the county refuse to pay, on plea that they are a distinct county, and charged as such. Sir Edw. Southcote, holding large domains in Braunton in right of his wife, pleads exemption, as being the King's pensioner. Asks directions. Will comply with their request for Sir Wm. Button.

Oct. 26. Warrant for Hen. Wroth to oversee and preserve the game of deer, pheasants, &c. in the parishes of Hackney, Islington, Newington, Tottenham, Harvingay, Hampstead, East Barnet, and Friarn-Barnet, cos. Middlesex and Herts. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 26. Grant, with survivivorship, to John and Daniel Standover, of annuity of 80*l.*, with proviso of surrender if otherwise provided for. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 26. Grant to Robt. Clark of the Prebend of Stow Longa, in Lincoln Cathedral. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 26. Warrant to pay to Paulo Marco, 1,144*l.*, in addition to 1,000*l.* already ordered, for diet and charges of the Ambassador of Poland. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 26. Grant to Candish Saundersby, John Willie, and Hen. Found, of the benefit of certain forfeited bonds and recognizances entered into by Edw. Holmewood and others, officers of the port of Chichester, for good behaviour, and forfeited by unlawful transportation of ordnance, which was discovered by the grantees, when ready to be transported under a counterfeit warrant. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 26. Grant to Hum. Frodsham of pardon for murder, on certificate in his behalf by the Lord Mayor of London and others. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 27. London. 62. Chamberlain to Carleton. Is surprised at the ill-timed wrangling between Holland and England. Thinks the Hollanders do not attack Spain vigorously enough by sea, where they are strong, and the Spaniards weak. Money is scarce, and corn rises in price. A high tide in the Thames swept through Westminster Hall, and did much harm. Sir Robt. Carr, who serves the Prince, has married widow Portman, the Earl of Derby's daughter. The Archbp. of Canterbury's fate lies in the King's hands alone. The Commission are very close in their proceedings. Ben Jonson's pension is increased from 100 marks to 200*l.* A ballad in his masque performed at Burghley was much applauded.

Oct. 27. 63. Locke to the Same. Cannot yet obtain the 100*l.* for the Bp. [of Spalato]. Sir Rich. Weston is Chancellor [of the Exchequer]. The old Chancellor [Lord Brooke] seldom comes to Council, but the President [Visct. Mandeville] is frequently there, and signs letters. Sir John Suckling not yet sworn Secretary.

Oct. 27. Castle of Chester. 64. Justices of Cheshire to the Council. Report scandalous speeches uttered against the King by Whitby, who is committed to Chester Gaol.

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Oct. 27. 65. Information by Robt. Bishop. Nich. Peeter, Master of the Greyhound, of Apson, landed certain laces, musk and cambrics, at Dover, without paying custom.

Oct. 27. 66. John Astell to Sir Wm. Smithe. Requests him to accept his daughter Ursula as a waiting-woman.

Oct. 27. Letter to Sir Ferd. Gorges and others, Commissioners for establishing orders amongst the fishermen of Newfoundland, to impart to the masters of the fishing fleet certain orders enclosed. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 29. Grant to the Duke of Lenox and Marquis Hamilton, of the sole making and issue of farthing tokens of copper for nineteen years, after determination of a former grant for seven years to Edw. Woodward and Thos. Garrett [or Gerard]. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 29. Grant to John Murray of the next advowson of the parsonage of Orsett, co. Essex, to present Wm. Shaw. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 29. Dover. 67. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. Lord and Lady Wotton are come to course in the warren. Lord Digby daily expected. Official business.

Oct. 29. Dover. 68. Wm. Leonard to the Same. The works at Dover Harbour are finished, except that the south head of the Land's End cannot be completed till spring. Thos. More, taken by the Turks, has returned. Sends his Lordship three Westphalia hams and a pot of green ginger.

Oct. 29. Plymouth. 69. Mayor of Plymouth to the Council. Two French ships of war have arrived in the port, and profess to be bound for Rochelle; others are expected.

Oct. 29. Dover. 70. John Reading to Lord Zouch. The people of Dover, being already much charged with relieving the French Protestants who have come over, are unable to contribute largely to the collection, unless from it they may receive some relief for the French in the town. *Incloses,*

70. 1. *Return by the French refugees at Dover, on a request made by Mr. Reading, minister of St. Mary's, by order of the Archbp. of Canterbury, of their numbers, viz.,* 165 *communicants,* 105 *non-communicants, of whom* 85 *are poor and receive alms; also of* 187 *poor French passing through the town, who have received* 258 *shillings in alms. Oct.* 26, 1621.

Oct. 30. 71. Sir Thos. Wilson to [Ambrose Randolph]. Has much difficulty in procuring money to discharge the debt for which Randolph is security. Will settle his estate of Dalmonds on him and his heirs general, for a reasonable consideration. Is promised foreign employment, in which case will transfer Hoddesdonbury to him.

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Oct. 31. Whitehall. 72. The Council to the [Duke of Lenox], Lord Lieutenant of Kent. Require that a proportion of the trained bands near to Chatham be kept in readiness, on notice from the Commissioners of the Navy, for safeguard and defence of the navy, if required, as customary in former times.

Oct. 31. Whitehall. 73. [The Same] to Sir Ferd. Gorges. Approve his proceedings in the matter between the Rochellers and the Baron de Couldrey. The Rochellers are not to be permitted to sell [at Plymouth], prizes taken from the French, nor, on the other hand, are Rochellers in the port to be delivered up, except on a decision against them by the Admiralty Court, to which complainants demanding the redelivery of shipping or merchandises are to be referred.

Oct. 31. 74. Account, by Michael Cole, of moneys received for the office of the first fruits, since Dec. 1620; total 6,114*l.* 11*s.* 3*d.* Also of payments made therefrom into the Exchequer, and to other parties.

Oct. 31. Faversham. 75. John Philpot to Lord Zouch. Thanks for his hearing of his cause. Will perform as far as possible his order for payment of Tassell's money, and will find security.

Oct. 31. New Romney. 76. Mayor and Jurats of New Romney to the Same. The complaints of Everenden of unjust treatment by them in his suit with Forcett are unjust. The dispute is now settled by mediation.

Oct. 31. Warrant for discharge to the Marquis of Buckingham, Master of the Horse, of 400*l.*, advanced to him for provision of horses; also for payment to him of 50*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.* due on his account, and for advance to him of 400*l.* for providing horses. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. Grant to Fras. Blandeau, perfumer to the late Queen Anne, of pension of 20*l.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. Grant to Will. Bawdrick and Roger Hunt, at suit of Thos. Jay, of the King's interest in certain tenements in Rosemary Lane, Middlesex, the lease of which was taken by Horatio Franchotti, an alien, but discovered and prosecuted for, on His Majesty's behalf, by the said Jay. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. Instalment of the first-fruits of the bishopric of London, payable in four years. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 77. Commissioners for subsidy in Lincolnshire to the Council. Have done their utmost for their Lordships' better satisfaction, but the general decay of rents and estates makes it impossible to bring this subsidy up to the last. Divers justices of the peace cannot bear to be assessed at 20*l.*, and therefore are willing to resign their office. Have assessed themselves beyond their due, for the sake of example.

Oct. 78. Commissioners for subsidy in Warwickshire to the Same. Certify the sums at which they have assessed themselves, varying from 30*l.* to 20*l.*

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Oct. ? 79. Note of plans suggested for relief of the King's estate, and increase of the revenue, viz., staying pensions; raising the price of foreign coin; diminishing the expenses of Ireland, selling or letting Crown lands, disforesting woods, and making profits of encroachments; diminishing the charge of foreign Ambassadors, and cutting off for a time "all bounty and magnificence;" with opinions upon each [by Lord Treasurer Cranfield].

Oct. ? 80. Copy of the above.

Oct. ? 81. Brief in the case of Rich. Whittacres and Anne his wife, administrators of the estate of Thos. Norton, against Sir Edw. Conway, for recovery of various sums of money owing to Norton for the purchase of several books specified.

Oct. ? 82. Similar brief, in the suit of Whittacres and his wife, against Sir Rich. Verney, of London, for the purchase of books.

Nov. 2. 83. List of vessels laden with fullers' earth, with the names of their commanders, from April 4 to Nov. 2, 1621.

Nov. 2. Westminster. Royal assent for Dr. Wm. Laud, elected Bp. of St. David's. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 77.]

Nov. 3. Westminster. Presentation of Nich. Morton to the rectory of St. Ives, diocese of Exeter. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 78.]

Nov. 3. Whitehall. Proclamation, that the Parliament, which was before adjourned from Nov. 14 to Feb. 8, be summoned for Nov. 20, on account of certain business. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 98*.]

Nov. 3. 84. Locke to Carleton. Lord Digby has arrived, and the Council have held private meetings thereon. Doubt whether Sir John Suckling or Sir Ant. Ashley will be Secretary.

Nov. 3. 85. The Same to the Same. Sends copies of the Proclamations for the Parliament; great rejoicings at its unexpected summoning.

Nov. 3 86. Note of the different weight of the bread sold by bakers specified in Westminster and its liberties, the assize being at eleven ounces for the penny wheaten loaf, and twenty-nine ounces for the second household loaf.

Nov. 4. Nansough. 87. Edw. Courtenay to Sir Rich. Carnsew. Has to levy the fine for the Prince, in which Sir Richard is named a Commissioner; summons him to Lazack to meet John Tanner on the business.

Nov. 5. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 88. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Is more praised than he likes for his preaching. Family affairs. Report that the Chamberlain's staff is taken from the Earl of Pembroke.

Nov. 5. Westminster. Commission to Council to reprieve and banish such felons as are fit for foreign service; agreeing with the former commission, except in excluding from reprieve those guilty of arson and highway

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robbery: re-granted by reason of the death or removal of those who were of the quorum in the former commission. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 79.]

Nov. 6. Westminster. Grant to Sir Nich. Hyde of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. Mutilated. [*Ibid., No.* 80.]

Nov. 6. 89. Declaration by Capt. John Keating, Irishman, that he offered himself for the Bohemian service, but was refused employment, except as a common soldier, which he declined, and went into France; that he was there told by two priests that his goods were seized and himself banished for not going to Bohemia, but finds the assertion untrue; has never sustained loss for the sake of his religion.

Nov. 6. 90—95. Receipts by Sackville Crow and Rich. Oliver from Endymion Porter, of certain sums for the use of the Marquis of Buckingham, viz., June 6, 1621, 4,000*l.*; June 25, 2,000*l.*; Sept. 2, 1,000*l.*; Sept. 11, 120*l.*; Oct. 1, 800*l.*; and Nov. 6, 1,500*l.* Six papers.

Nov. 7? 96. Petition of Geo. Ball to the Council. Complains of the proceedings of the East India merchants in imprisoning him and seizing his goods and books, for alleged wrongs in his accounts; prays to be removed to the Fleet, and that the merchants may be directed to expedite their suit and allow him copies of his account books for his defence.

Nov. 7. 97. Sir Wm. Halliday, Governor of the East India Company, to Lord Zouch. The proceedings against Geo. Ball are for other breaches of trust, as well as faulty accounts; hopes the Council will soon appoint a time for examining the charges against him.

Nov. 7. Commission to George Archbp. of Canterbury, for revision and re-examination of the cause in controversy between Roger Turtle and others. [*Grant Bk., p.* 341.]

Nov. 7. Westminster. Grant to Sir Rich. Weston of the office of Under-Treasurer of the Exchequer. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 81.]

Nov. 7. Westminster. Grant to the Same of the office of Chancellor of the Exchequer. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 82.]

Nov. 8. 98. Locke to Carleton. Private business. Since Lord Digby's return, orders are given to send off 40,000*l.* for the Palatinate, and the Spanish Ambassador is less courted. The Bp. of Winchester favours the Archbp. of Canterbury. The King has gone to Newmarket.

Nov. 8. Westminster. Grant to John Philipps, of Pickton, co. Pembroke, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 83.]

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Nov. 9. Westminster. Grant to John Philipps of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due by him on his being created a Baronet. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 84.]

Nov. 9. Westminster. Warrant for discharge to the Lord Treasurer and others, Commissioners for the secret jewels found at Denmark House after the decease of Queen Anne, of thirty-seven diamonds taken to garnish the King's picture, set in gold, and sent to the Lady Elizabeth, and of ten jewels mortgaged to John Williams. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 85.]

Nov. 10. Westminster. Grant to Sir John Stepney, of Prendergrast, co. Pembroke, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 86.]

Nov. 10. Westminster. Commission to the Lord Treasurer and others to examine the books of the Secret Jewel House, to take charge of the remaining jewels, and make new books, and to deliver to the Mint for coining, the gold collars &c. whence the jewels have been removed. [*Ibid., No.* 87.]

Nov. [10]. 99. Note of a bond of Geo. Binge and others, for Nich. Peeterson to appear before the Court of Admiralty at Dover, to answer all accusations against him.

Nov. 10. London. 100. Chamberlain to Carleton. The late Lord Mayor has failed and decamped, taking his valuables with him, though he was a farmer of customs, and always thought to be a man of wealth. The East India and Muscovy Companies cannot pay their debts. Sir Baptist Hicks, Sir Wm. Cockayne, and Peter Van Lore, who is knighted, have advanced 30,000*l.* for the Palatinate. The speedy re-assembling of Parliament is caused by the relation of Lord Digby, who is as much applauded as he was once decried. The King returned to town, and on Nov. 1, the Muscovy Ambassador had audience, and presented rich furs, carpets, cloths of gold and silver, a Persian tent, &c. The Commissioners on the Archbp. of Canterbury's case were equally divided, but the Bp. of Winchester, siding with the four lawyers so forcibly against the other five Bishops, turned the scale in his Grace's favour. The King absolved him; the new Bishops are so unwilling to receive consecration from his hand, that he has commissioned three other Bishops to consecrate for him. Lady Cranfield has a son. The Earl of Oxford is spoken of as Admiral of a fleet of six Navy ships and six merchant ships, which it is hoped will do better than the last.

Nov. 11. Plymouth. 101. Sir Ferd. Gorges to Sec. Calvert. The Baron de Couldrey's armament is prepared ostensibly to go against the Turks, and is well furnished with warlike stores, but it is feared that when the French King has subjected Rochelle, he will try to further the Catholic cause by an attack on Ireland, which is discontented, and the army undisciplined. Recommends that all the coasts be put in a state of defence.

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Nov. 12. 102. Susannah Nicholas to her son Edward. Private affairs.

Nov. 12. Dover. 103. Capt. Thos. Fyneux to Lord Zouch. Dangerous illness of Monings Hanington. Begs his situation for his own son Henry, if he should die.

Nov. 12. Dover. Thos. Foord to Edw. Nicholas. Requests him to present his petition to Lord Zouch for a place for his son John in the Bulwark, if Monings Hanington should die. [*Dom. Corresp., Dec.* 3.]

Nov.? 104. Petition of Thos. Foord, Jurat of Dover, to Lord Zouch, to appoint his son John Foord to be a Gunner at Mote's Bulwark on the next vacancy.

Nov. 13. 105. Examination of Sam. Phillips, Minister of St. Mary, Staines, and Lecturer in Paul's Church. Preached at St. Paul's against the marriages of Protestants, whether Princes or subjects, with Papists, because most of them are idolaters. Proved his doctrine from Scripture, &c. Named no Prince in particular, and knew of no treaty for marrying the Prince with a Princess of Spain.

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Sam. Dunche, of Sparsholt, co. Berks, and Evan Powell, his servant, of pardon for drawing weapons, and causing riots, and disturbances in the church and churchyard of Timsbury, co. Hants. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 88.]

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Gerard Falcon, of London, of pardon for manslaughter, with remission of penalties and restoration of goods. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 89.]

Nov. 13. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Stolyon of Warbleton, co. Sussex, of the fee farm of 397 acres 32 perches of saltmarsh, near Swineshead and Wigtoft, in Holland, co. Lincoln, which he formerly held in fee simple. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 90.]

Nov. 14. Wednesday. 106. Proceedings in the House of Commons on meeting after adjournment. Receipt of the Commission for further adjournment of the House, which was complied with, though not read. A proposal for re-election of members, to take the places of Sir Fulk. Greville, Sir Lionel Cranfield, and Sir Hen. Montague, made Barons, and removed to the Upper House, was negatived, as the House met only for adjournment.

Nov. 14. Wednesday. Memoranda of the reading of a commission adjourning Parliament till Nov. 20, of its being sent by the Lords to the Commons, with notice that by virtue thereof Parliament is adjourned, and of their reply that they have adjourned their House accordingly. [*Dom. Corresp., Dec.* 19.]

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Nov. 16. 107. Locke to Carleton. The Lord Keeper was consecrated Bp. of Lincoln with great festivity; the Bp. of London and others acted under commission for the Archbp. of Canterbury, who has not yet meddled in such things.

Nov. 16. Edinburgh. 108. Earl of Dunfermline to Robt. Abercromby. Sends a letter of courtesy for Count Gondomar, which he is not to deliver, if by doing so he will bring himself into trouble. Some speak of the Count as being in good favour, others, as disliked, and his negociations thwarted.

Nov. 16. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Visct. Wallingford and Lady Elizabeth, his wife, of the manor of Rotherfield-Greys, co. Oxford, with remainder to his heirs male, and to the heirs male of his father, Sir Fras. Knollys, and with addition of a tenancy for life to Lady Elizabeth. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 91.]

Nov. 17. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Abraham Williams 400*l.*, for beer, billets, and charcoal, bestowed by the King on the Lady Elizabeth. [*Ibid., No.* 92.]

Nov. 17. London. 109. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. The Lord Keeper was consecrated by several Bishops, as the other new Bishops will be; Dr. Donne is to be Dean of St. Paul's, so that if Ben Jonson could be Dean of Westminster, St. Paul's, Westminster and Christchurch would each have a poetical Dean. Sermons are much in fashion; the meetings of county people, who dine together once a year, have a sermon. The King stayed longer than he intended at Royston, Buckingham being ill, but is now at Newmarket. Lady Roos is married to a young gentleman of small means. The new Duchess of Lenox takes state upon her as in the olden times. The farm of the customs is expiring, but is renewed, on a slight advance of the old terms, to the same parties, only that Abbot and Jacob take place of Jones and Salter.

Nov. 17. 110. Locke to the Same. The Lord Treasurer promises the 1,716*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* due to Carleton next week. The King was displeased with the Archbp. of Canterbury because all the Bishops were not consecrated together, the Parliament being so near at hand.

Nov. 18. 111. Note of the distribution of 12*l.* [to the servants of Archbp. Abbot], at the consecration of the Bps. of Salisbury, St. David's, and Exeter.

Nov. 18. Maidstone. 112. Capt. Geo. Fenner to Nicholas. Is unable, from ill health, to attend Lord Zouch; sends the muster rolls for Sandgate Castle.

Nov. 18. Norwich. 113. Bp. of Norwich and other Commissioners for inquiring into the state of Yarmouth Haven, &c. to the Council. Find that all the funds left for repair of the haven have been so applied; but these not sufficing, the town has spent 30,168*l.* 2*s.* 8*d.* of its own funds thereon, and is now 23,000*l.* in debt; that 14,000*l.* are required for repairs, and 1,000*l.* a year for maintenance thereof. If the means already proposed do not suffice, a general

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contribution might be made through Norfolk, Suffolk and Norwich. *Inclose,*

113. I. *Commission to the Bp. of Norwich, and Aldermen of Norwich and Yarmouth, to examine into and report on the state of the funds of Yarmouth haven and piers, the sums necessary for their repair and maintenance, and the best modes of levying them. Westminster, Aug.* 31.

113. II. *Schedule of receipts, by licences of exports, tax on fisheries, gifts and legacies, &c. towards Yarmouth haven and piers, since* 1 *Eliz.; total* 18,143*l.* 19*s.* 5*d.; also of expenses, total* 48,312*l.* 2*s.* 1*d.*

Nov. 19. Yarmouth. 114. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the Council. The Commissioners having ascertained, beyond doubt, by inspection of the town records, that they have not the means of maintaining their haven and piers, beg relief and assistance therein.

Nov. 19. Exeter. 115. Mayor, &c. of Exeter to the Same. Have apprehended John Sweet, a Jesuit of eminence, born at Modbury, Devonshire, but now calling himself John Douse, and found in his possession Popish books, vestments, furniture for mass, &c.; find also, that he and —— Hill have distributed books, crucifixes, beads, &c. in the town; he refuses to say whether he is a priest or Jesuit. Have put him in prison, and ask directions.

Nov. 19. Exeter. 116. Mayor, &c. of Exeter to their Recorder and others in London. To the same effect as the preceding; also that Rysedon, the tailor, a dangerous fellow, is committed for saying, that he hoped there would soon be a Catholic King, and that Catholics would be liberated from prison, and Puritans put in their nest.

[Nov. 20.] 117. Discussion in the House of Commons as to whether Sir Thos. Thynne can serve as Sheriff of Gloucestershire, notwithstanding his being chosen a Member of Parliament; with the decision that he shall so serve.

Nov. 20? 118. Opinions of Sir Edw. Coke and Recorder Finch, that Mayors cannot sit in the House if elected during their mayoralty, nor Sheriffs while holding office.

Nov. 20. Westminster. Commission to the Bp. of Lincoln, Lord Keeper, the Bps. of London, Winchester, Norwich, Coventry, Ely, Bath and Wells, and Chichester, to grant a dispensation to the Archbp. of Canterbury, for the death of Peter Hawkins, casually slain by him. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 93.]

Nov. 20. Grant to Geo. Archbp. of Canterbury of pardon for the death of Peter Hawkins, late Keeper of Bramsell Park, co. Hants; with remission and restitution of all forfeitures thereon. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 94.]

Nov. 21. Westminster. Restitution of temporalties to Dr. John Davenant, Bp. of Sarum. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 95.]

Nov. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Nov.* 22.]

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Nov. 21. Westminster. Warrant for instalment to Rich. Milbourne, Bp. of Carlisle, of 478*l.* 2*s.* 5¾*d.*, the first fruits of the bishopric, to be paid in four years. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No* 96.]

Nov. 21. [Westmin]ster. Restitution of temporalties to Dr. Wm. Laud, Bp. of St. David's. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 97.]

Nov. 21. Westminster. The Same for Dr. Valentine Carey, Bp. of Exeter. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 98.]

Nov. 22. Docquet of the above.

Nov. 23. 119. Bond of John Page, of Wembley, Harrow-on-the-Hill, to Sir Thos. Wilson, of Hoddesdonbury, co. Herts, in 1,000*l.*, for performance of certain articles and covenants indented between them.

Nov. 23. 120. Estimate [by the Commissioners of the Navy], of the charge of supplying the Victory and Dreadnought with victuals and wages, to serve on the Narrow Seas, from Dec. 11 to March 4. Total 2,009*l.*

Nov. 23. Office of Ordnance. 121. Estimate, [by the Officers of Ordnance,] of the cost of the Ordnance stores, to be provided for the Phœnix. Total 32*l.* 19*s.* 6*d.*

Nov. 24. London. 122. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Prince came from Newmarket on Monday 19th, his birthday. The Parliament assembled on Tuesday. The protections granted by members of the Lower House during its sittings are called in, except those to necessary servants. It is feared the Lords will not follow the example. Lord Stafford has given 300 protections to his base companions for 5*s.* each. The Lord Keeper, in his speech to Parliament, told them they were to sit but six or seven days, and to confine themselves solely to the business for which they were called, postponing all other to February 8, when they would next meet; he spoke more like a divine than a statesman. Lord Digby then related his foreign negociations, throwing the whole blame on the Duke of Bavaria, and exculpating the Emperor, King of Spain, and late Archduke, but saying that the cause would be ruined if the troops in the Palatinate were not supplied at once. The Lord Treasurer spoke of the poverty of the Exchequer, the King having himself spent 211,000*l.* on the Bohemian war, besides 34,000*l.* given by the nobility, and 70,000*l.* by the Commons; he commended His Majesty's wise Government, his late repeal of thirty-five monopolies, worth as many subsidies, and the improvement of the realm by settling of trade, &c. which was thought strange, all knowing the realm had never been so bare and poor in their times. The business was postponed till Monday. Complaints about Sir Edwin Sandys' absence were pacified by his own written assurance that he was detained by illness, and by Sec. Calvert's, that he was not committed for anything said in Parliament. The Earl of Southampton has retired home, rather by advice than on command. Rumours of troubles in Ireland, and the return thither of young Tyrone, with arms, &c. from France; that country is ever ripe for revolt.

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Nov. 24. 123. Locke to [Carleton]. The Archbp. of Spalato is very angry at the delay of the 100*l.*, and says Carleton has broken faith with him, having promised him promotion of 200*l.* a year from the Archbp. of Canterbury, which he has never received; that 500*l.* a year could not suffice a prelate of his rank, &c. Meeting of Parliament. The King has declared for recovering the Palatinate by war. The Lord Treasurer said he would urge no wants except for this, and reminded the Houses of their promise to spend life and goods in the cause. Lord Digby said that all other means had failed, the Upper Palatinate being taken, and the Lower saved only by General Vere and Count Mansfeldt.

Nov. 24. Westminster. Licence to the Master and Fellows of Peter House, Cambridge, to purchase lands worth 200*l.* per ann. in mortmain; with a pardon for defects in purchases formerly made. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 99.]

Nov. 24. Docquet of the above.

Nov. 24. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Jasper Stallenge 25*l.*, for works and repairs in His Majesty's mulberry garden. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 100.]

Nov. 24. Docquet of the above.

Nov. 24. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Wm. Cope, Bart., Master of the Armouries, 120*l.*, for 300 swords, at 8*s.* each, provided for furnishing Sir Robt. Mansell's fleet. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 1.]

Nov. 24. Letter to the Lord Keeper of the Great Seal, recommending the cause now depending in Chancery between Hen. Wroth and Sir Art. Mainwaring, to a fair hearing and speedy despatch. [*Docquet.*]

Nov. 25. 124. Sir Thos. Coventry and Sir Robt. Heath [to the Council]. Have examined the petition of Bonham Norton against Cantrell Legge, University printer of Cambridge, for printing grammars, &c. contrary to the licence granted to Norton. Find that the University charter, granted 26 Henry VIII., which is pleaded in Legge's defence, does not authorize his conduct, but as it gave some colour to his proceedings, suggest that Norton should buy his books from him at a reasonable rate, to prevent his ruin, and that he shall print them no further in future.

Nov. 26. Winterbourne. 125. Wm. Hunton to Nicholas. Private affairs.

Nov. 26? 126. Notes of a speech in the House of Commons. The two subsidies previously granted, having no appendix of fifteenths, are scarcely more than one full subsidy, yet, in acknowledgment, the King has put down three pernicious monopolies, and will grant further favours for further supply.

Nov. 26? 127. Notes of a speech in the House of Commons. Is glad to hear what is said on the husbanding of time; urges attention to it, as time advances rapidly.

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[Nov. 27.] 128. Speech of [Sir Thos. Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household], in the House of Commons. The delays proposed in succours for the Palatinate will be the ruin of the brave army who have fought for it. The King will not declare war against the King of Spain, hoping he will disavow the last proceedings of the Emperor. The House is pledged to support the cause, and the urgency of the case demands unusual subsidies. His Majesty will willingly grant anything propounded for the public good.

Nov. 27? 129. Speech in the House of Commons, that the King having granted their requests relating to religion, a supply should immediately be granted, not for his Majesty's own ends, but for advancing the most important public action of the kingdom, without which an act of so great consequence may fall to the ground.

Nov. 27. 130. Wm. Hunton to Nicholas. Cannot tell how his sister [-in-law] Jane [Jaye] will approve his suit, he [Nicholas] not having told her what his father will do for him if he marry, &c.

[Nov. 27.] 131. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Can give him no advice how to woo, having no experience therein; hopes their father will provide him a competence; is appointed chaplain to the Lord Chamberlain.

Nov. 27. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Wm. Uvedale, Treasurer of the Chamber, 1,400*l.*, to discharge the sums due to the Yeomen of the Chamber, the ordinary allowance of 22,000*l.* not having sufficed for the past year. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 2.]

Nov. 27. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Dendy, on surrender of Robt. Hamilton, of the office of Serjeant-at-Arms. [*Ibid., No.* 3.]

Nov. 27. Westminster. Warrant to pay to John Murray 100*l.*, to be disbursed for the King's special service. [*Ibid., No.* 4.]

Nov. 28. Westminster. Grant to Rowland Ridgley of pardon of a Star Chamber fine of 200 marks, for misdemeanors in Agarsley Park, Needwood Forest, co. Stafford. [*Ibid., No.* 5.]

Nov. 28. Westminster. Presentation of Dr. Owen Gwynn to the Archdeaconry of Huntingdon, in the Cathedral of Lincoln, void by the promotion of Dr. Laud to the bishopric of St. David's. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 6.]

Nov. 28? 132. Notes of a speech [by Sir Thos. Edmondes?] in the House of Commons. Renews his entreaties that they will not waste time on a multiplicity of objects, but present to the King the things desired for the common good, and provide him supplies to relieve Protestants abroad. The former subsidies he has entirely given to his son-in-law and daughter. The French Protestants also require relief, and His Majesty has sent the French King word that he must assist in protecting them. He knows that he can receive no further benefit of subsidies till the former are expired, but their grant will enable him to borrow money, and give him increased credit abroad, and a good correspondence will thus be set up between King and Parliament.

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[Nov. 28.] 133. Speech in the House of Commons, proposing to put to the vote the question now fully argued, as to whether or not a second supply shall be granted to His Majesty.

Nov. 28? 134. Speech [of Lord Chief Baron Denham?] in Parliament, on presenting the commission to pass the Subsidy Act. Urges the immediate gathering in of the subsidy, the kingdom having enjoyed nineteen years' peace under His Majesty, no subsidies being paid during ten years, and great expenses incurred by embassies to preserve peace. The King has revoked thirty-seven monopolies, much graced the City of London, &c. Particulars of the mode of raising the subsidies, &c.

Nov. 29. 135. Locke to Carleton. The Lower House has granted a subsidy, to be paid in February, but they have petitioned the King that this may be a session, and laws be enacted; that the Parliament may be resumed in February; that the laws against recusants may be executed, and that all recusants should give to the subsidy as aliens. They wish to have the King nearer, for constant directions, and also request a declaration of the enemy against whom they are to fight; if the King of Spain, they suggest that shipping be prepared to intercept the Indian fleet, and some other match for the Prince considered of.

Nov. 29. Westminster. Grant to Baldwin Wake, of Clevedon, Somersetshire, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 7.]

Nov. 137. Sir John Denham and Sir Thos. Chamberlain, Justices of Assize [for Northumberland], to the Council. Cuthbert Bewick did not appear before them, though summoned, to plead on behalf of his petition for the surveyorship of the Tyne, and recompence of his services in its preservation. Find that a jury of twelve persons sit weekly to judge offences against the preservation of the river; that the Commissioners are diligent in the use of precautions against all abuses, and that Bewick has already received 100*l.* for his services.

Nov.? 138. Answers to the statement of an Exchequer officer [Sir Hen. Spiller], touching the business of recusants now before the House of Commons, proving the different modes in which he defrauds the King of his revenue by favouring recusants. [*See Journ. Com., vol.* I., *p.* 652.]

Nov.? 137. Articles in support of the above accusations of fraud, with notes of the persons by whose evidence each article is to be proved.

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Dec. 1. 1. Statement, by Fras. Mansell, of the proceedings taken in reclaiming from him the money furnished by Carmarthenshire for Irish troops, but ordered to be appropriated to building a free school in Carmarthen; of his repeated offers to refund the money; his ultimate payment thereof to the Mayor, &c.

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Dec. 1. London. 2. Chamberlain to Carleton. The House has granted a subsidy to be paid in February, and, to show their dislike of the increase of Popery through recent connivance, has ordered that all recusants pay double. Much strong language was used against Spain, and queries as to who are the enemies; if Spain, the Emperor and the late Archduke are excused, the Duke of Bavaria being incapable of a war. Mr. Pymme's speech, showing that the King's natural virtues of clemency, peacefulness, &c. have been turned against him by his enemies, was much approved. A plot is detected to ruin Sir Edw. Coke in the Star Chamber; Lepton and Goldsmith, of Gray's Inn, are accused, but Lady Coke and Lord Houghton are suspected to be the instigators. Deputies are to visit Sir Edwin Sandys, to see if he be really ill, and committed for offences in Parliament. The King's tarrying at Newmarket amidst so much business causes surprise. The States' Commissioners have arrived, but can do nothing till his return. Death of Lord Dudley's eldest son from small-pox, and illness of young Lady Mordaunt, Lady Effingham's daughter.

[Dec. 3.] 3. Petition and remonstrance of the House of Commons to the King, stating the causes of the increase of Popery in England, viz., the ambition and vigilance of the Pope and his adherents, the distress of Protestantism abroad, by the confederacy of Catholic princes; the increase of recusants through hopes of the match with Spain, interposition of foreign Princes, &c. in their behalf, connivance in grants of their fines, printing of Popish books, swarming in of Jesuits, &c.; proposing remedies to the evils resulting therefrom, viz., to protect Protestantism by the sword, directly attacking the Prince who maintains the war in the Palatinate; to enforce the laws against recusants; to marry the Prince to one of his own religion; to recall all children of Catholics now educated abroad, and give them Protestant teachers, &c. Beseech the King to make this a session by passing the bills prepared, and to accompany them with the customary general pardon. [*Not printed in the Journals of the House. Recalled before presentation, on receipt of the King's letter, No.* 8.]

[Dec. 3.] 4. Copy of the above.

[Dec. 3.] 5. Another copy, unfinished.

[Dec. 3.] 6. Copy [by Nicholas], corrected and unfinished.

[Dec. 3.] 7. Notes of the petition [by Nicholas].

Dec. 3. [Newmarket.] 8. The King to the Speaker of the House of Commons. Has heard that his detention by ill health at a distance from Parliament has led some fiery spirits to meddle with matters far beyond their capacity, and intrenching upon the prerogative; forbids any further meddling with state mysteries, as the Prince's match, attacks on the King of Spain, meddling in individual cases, which belong to Courts of Justice, &c. Has not committed Sir Edwin Sandys for misdemeanors in Parliament, but considers himself free to punish any such, and will punish all insolence in Parliament. Will not

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deign to hear nor to answer the proposed petition, if it touch on the points forbidden; will make this a session if good laws be devised. [*Not printed in the Journals.*]

Dec, 3. 9—11. Three copies of the above.

Dec. 3. 12. Susannah Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Likes his choice [of his intended wife], and prays God to send him a blessing therewith.

Dec. 4. Westminster. 13. Commission to Hen. Earl of Oxford to be Admiral of a squadron at sea, with power to press mariners, soldiers, gunners, and artificers, and to exercise martial law.

Sign Manual of the above, dated Nov. 29. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 8.]

Dec. 5. London. 14. Commissioners of the Navy to the Council. Request them to order the merchants to pay their half of the sums due to Thos. Westerdale, for the hospital ship Goodwill, sent on the Algiers expedition. The King's half is long since paid, and the poor man's clamours tend to the dishonour of the service, and discouragement of those to be employed therein.

Dec. 5. Wednesday. 15. Lists of the Committees appointed by the House of Commons since Nov. 20, to consider of various bills before them, with notes of their powers, times, and places of meetings, &c.; also notes of the time of sitting of the General Committees of the House, and of other Committees; concluding with the Sub-Committee appointed to prepare a declaration to the King touching the late intended petition, and the privileges of the House.

Dec. 6. 16. The Commissioners of the Navy to Sir Robt. Pye. The December allowance of 800*l.* for the victualling of the Navy, is to be divided equally between the Treasurer and Surveyor of victuals.

[Dec. 6.] 17. Speech in the House of Commons. Has heard much complaint of danger to privileges. The King has never invaded their liberties, but their strenuous maintenance of privilege makes him zealous of prerogative, and has brought his displeasure on some of them. Blames their meddling with war against Spain, and the Prince's match; advises an apology, explaining that the remarks thereon in their petition were meant as information, not as advice.

[Dec. 8.] 18. Petition of the House of Commons to the King. Deplore his displeasure against their proposed petition, and beseech him not to credit unfaithful and partial rumours of their proceedings. As they were reassembled to consult on the war and advise on a supply, have not only provided a present supply, but tried to avert future danger, by taking precautions against Popery at home, and therefore represented its causes and effects, and proposed remedies; did not personally attack the King of Spain, nor dictate as to the Prince's match, but only remonstrated thereon, as being

so nearly interested in it; entreat a hearing for their former petition, and a reply to the points concerning priests and recusants, passing of bills, and the general pardon; urge their privilege of impeaching individuals, and of free discussion in Parliament. [*Not printed in the Journals of the House.*]

Dec. 8. Newmarket. 19. The King to the Council. To hear the complaint of the Earl Marshal Arundel against Brooke and Treswell, heralds, who have appealed from his court to other courts about their fees, and if the heralds cannot clear themselves therein, so to punish them as to deter others from like attempts, the maintenance within their own limits of all courts, and of the Earl Marshal's in particular, being important to His Majesty's reputation.

Dec. 8. 20. Copy of the above.

Dec. 8. Derby House. 21. Hen. Earl of Oxford to Capt. John Pennington. Orders him to take command of the ship Victory, and to obey all further instructions.

Dec. 8. 22. Locke to [Carleton]. Has paid the Bp. of Spalato 90*l.*, out of the 1,000*l.* received for Carleton from the Exchequer, &c. The King was informed of the petition from the Commons before it was sent, on which he sent them a letter which threw the House into great consternation, Sir Robt. Phelips moving that they should betake themselves to prayer and meet again next day. They say such a letter was never written to a Parliament, and still intend to send their petition. Ill feeling between the two Houses, because the Lords refuse to pass the bills against monopolies and concealments, thought needful by the Commons. The House is much distracted, and will read no more bills till they ascertain whether the King will read their petition, which is doubted, because since his letter, he has sent to order the liberation of Goldsmith, committed about Lepton's patent, and to forbid their meddling therein, which they think contrary to privilege. *Annexes,*

22. I. *Note, that whilst the messengers were on their way to Newmarket, with a petition to the King, a letter was received from the King. Dec.* 4.

22. II. *The King to the Speaker, Newmarket, Dec.* 3. [*See Dec.* 3.]

Dec. 8. Whitehall. Sir Geo. Calvert to Carleton. The Parliament has granted a subsidy, to keep together the forces in the Palatinate, but a misunderstanding has arisen because the King—hearing that the Lower House was framing a petition in which the Spanish match was objected to, a war with Spain proposed, and the proceedings against Sir Edwin Sandys attacked,—sent them an angry letter, forbidding their meddling with any questions of that sort. They have sent a declaration of the reason of their proceedings, but nothing can be done till the King's reply thereto arrives. [*Holl. Corresp., Dec.* 8, 1621.]

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Dec. 8. 23. Wm. Hunton to Nicholas. If the conditions [of the marriage] be to the lady's liking, he shall see the obligation subscribed.

Dec. 9. 24. Thos. Philpot to Sir Albert Morton. His father being taken ill, cannot travel into Hampshire to attend his duty as Sheriff, and begs a dispensation from the Council.

Dec. 9. Dieppe. 25. M. de Montigny, Governor of Dieppe, to Lord Zouch. The French fishermen dare not come to Rye, unless they may be used better than last year; requests assurances thereof and renewal of the licences, and that four boats may be allowed to fish for soles for the King of France with smaller nets, those allowed by the licences being too wide to catch soles. French.

Dec. 10. 26. Certificate by Capt. Jas. Barker to Lord [Zouch], that Luke Brailsford went into Spain in July last.

Dec. 10. Lord Admiral Buckingham to Capt. Thos. Love. Appoints him to go as Rear-Admiral under the Earl of Oxford, in the Assurance, one of the Fleet to be employed in the Narrow Seas. [*Dom. Corresp., May* 13, 1622.]

Dec. 11. Newmarket. 27. The King's reply to the petition of the Commons. Expected their first message to be one of thanks for his proclamation revoking so many grievances, instead of which it is complaint of danger to religion, implying misgovernment on his part; has not been misinformed of their proceedings, his copy of the petition being true; by his foreknowledge of it, the House was saved the disgrace of sending it and being refused an answer. Blames their meddling with the Spanish match, to which he now stands pledged, and also with the conduct of the war, when they were only called to advise upon supplies, and accuses them of usurping undue powers, and of reflecting on the King of Spain. The war is not one of religion, but caused by the Prince Palatine's rash acceptance of the crown of Bohemia, which has given the Emperor a handle against him. As to the points on which they request an answer, is willing to take all due care of religion, but the means must be left to himself; will not kindle a war of religion through the world, and, by hot persecution of recusants, provoke foreign Princes to persecution of Protestants; is willing to make this a session and to grant a pardon, but not one that would lose him more than the subsidies will come to. Did not mean by his former letter to restrain them in discussing individual cases, but referred to that of Sir Edw. Coke, which was in course of settlement by law, before Parliament began. As long as they respect his prerogative, will always respect their privileges, but considers these to be rather of toleration than of inheritance as pretended. Hopes a happy end to the session, by passing good laws, and thus preventing rumours spreading of distractions between them.

Dec. 11. 28. Copy of part of the above.

Dec. 11. London. 29. Sir Fras. Blundell to Buckingham. Has ordered patents for making Fish an Irish Baronet on behalf of Carleton, and Browne on behalf of Johnson. Hopes none others will be permitted, till his

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Lordship's number is complete; is negociating on his behalf to make Sir John Fitz Gerald a Viscount. Grey, an Irish fanatic, has murdered his own child, with the idea of procuring the restoration of the Jews, by shedding innocent blood. *Incloses,*

29. 1. *Paper laid by Grey on the body of his child, challenging inquiry into the murder, although his other crimes of defacing the King's arms, &c. have been looked over, in order that on his trial he may expose the judges, and plead the cause of the Jews, &c.*

Dec. 11. Exeter. 30. Mayor, &c. of Exeter to the Council. Have sent up John Sweet, the Jesuit, according to order, together with the things that were taken on him, and the examinations relating to him, proving his often saying mass, &c.

Dec. 11. 31. Memoranda of requests relating to the University of Oxford; that the statute for the repair of highways be continued; the doctors of physic not prejudiced by any statute in behalf of the College of Physicians of London; the university jurisdiction kept up, in the licensing of taverns, punishing alehouse keepers, executing penal statutes, &c.; and that any privilege for printing granted to Cambridge be extended to Oxford. [Endorsed by Laud], "Remembrances for Oxford in the Parliament."

Dec. 12. 32. The Council to the King. Present for his approval the form of a general pardon, with a memorial of things to be added to it, if he please. Have left out the old debts, that His Majesty may have something in store wherewith to gratify his subjects.

Dec. 12. 33. Order in Council for registration of the King's command that Sir Baptist Hicks, Sir Wm. Cockayne, and Sir Peter Vanlore be repaid, from the first moneys that come in, the 30,000*l.* taken upon their credit for the Palatinate, the Council being to enter into bond to the said knights for their security.

Dec. 12. Whitehall. 34. Order in Council referring to decision in the Admiralty Court the complaint of Thos. Martin and others, merchants of St. Malo, whose ship, returning from Canada, was taken by the Rochellers, and carried into Plymouth, where the goods still remain in the custom house.

Dec. 13? 35. Speech in the House of Commons. Regrets the needless dissension between the House and the King, their jealousy of their liberties making him fearful of his prerogative, and bringing down his displeasure upon certain persons. Hopes, as His Majesty declares his desire for public good, that grievances will be presented in a proper way, the miserable state of Christendom rendering union most desirable.

[Dec. 13.] 36. House of Commons to the King. Think his dislike of their proceedings concerning Sir Edw. Coke results from misinformation. Find that Lepton and Goldsmith conspired to ruin Coke, who was employed to examine two patents complained of as grievances, and

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in which they were interested, by prosecuting him for other causes in the Star Chamber, which proceeding affecting the liberties of the House, they could not but intermeddle. [*Notes by Nicholas, partly in short hand, not entered in the Journals.*]

Dec. 14. 37. Notes of accusations against Ralph Brooke, York Herald, called before Council for refusing the jurisdiction of the Court Marshal, showing that he entered a suit in Chancery against his fellow officers for fees, which was referred to the Earl Marshal's Court, but in spite of many warnings, he refused to prosecute it there, and filed a second bill in Chancery, declaring that there was no Earl Marshal's Court, and that he would overthrow the Earl Marshal's office and authority. [*See Dec.* 8.]

Dec. ? 38. Opinion and reasons of the common lawyers against the jurisdiction of the Court of Constable and Earl Marshal, with answers thereto, remarks on the antiquity of the office of Earl Marshal, and a catalogue of the honourable persons who have held it.

Dec. 15. Whitehall. 39. The Council to Sir Ferd. Gorges. No ship of Rochelle is to be permitted to make sale in an English port of any prize goods captured at sea, but the goods are to be taken into safe custody, until the Admiralty Court shall have determined the cause.

Dec. 15. London. 40 Chamberlain to Carleton. The cold is so severe that the Thames is impassable. The King jested with the messengers who carried the Parliamentary remonstrance, ordering stools for the Ambassadors to sit down. He read the remonstrance, but refused to read the original petition. Report of his reply. The Prince complains of the House for busying themselves about his marriage. There cannot be a good understanding whilst the King is so jealous of his prerogative and the House of their privileges, and whispers misinform and exasperate His Majesty. Destruction by fire of the fairest playhouse in the town, the Fortune, in Golding Lane.

Dec. 15. 41. Locke to [the Same]. The Commons are much distracted by the King's reply to their petition. The Lord Keeper is applauded for mitigating the penalties imposed by the House on Sir John Boucher, for accusing him of precipitancy. Lord Danvers returns the picture sent him from Rubens to be exchanged. Sir John Eyre is so much disliked by the [Levant] merchants that his person and goods are, if possible, to be seized.

[Dec. 15.] 42. Speech in the House of Commons [by Sir Thos. Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household]. Regrets their having provoked the King to write so angry a letter. His Majesty assures them that no foreign alliance will change his care for religion, &c., and says that the words of his former letter about privileges were wrongly understood. Urges them to give up injurious contests between prerogative and privilege, so much depending on passing good laws, and preserving religion and the King's issue abroad.

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Dec. 16. Royston. 43, 44. The King to Sec. Calvert. Is so loath to have the time of the Commons spent in discussing his letter, that he descends from his dignity to explain that his objection to their calling their privileges those of inheritance rather than toleration, arose merely from hatred to anti-monarchical words; never intends to infringe on any privileges which they enjoy, either by justice, grace, or long custom, but rather to maintain and increase them. Urges that they proceed at once to business, and refrain from further wrangling about words. Two copies.

Dec. 17. Theobalds. 45—47. The King to Sir Thos. Richardson, Speaker of the House of Commons. Fears that his letter to Sec. Calvert has not sufficiently urged the House to expedition; is anxious to make the present a session by passing bills, and presses them to effect those for continuance of Statutes, for a general pardon, and if possible, for the subsidy, before Saturday; will otherwise construe their slackness into a wish that this may not be considered a session. Three copies.

Dec. 17? 48. Speech in the House of Commons, urging that the King having gone so far in assurances of preserving the liberties of the House, they do not split upon particular points, but rest satisfied with entering a protestation in their register, the pressure of the times loudly calling for a spirit of pacification.

Dec. 17. 49. The Council to the King. The Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer will explain certain alterations suggested by them in the general pardon. The old debts are intended as a grace to be kept in store. The only means of excluding Sir Edw. Coke from the pardon would be, to prefer a bill against him before its publication, or to except him by name therefrom, for which latter course there are recent precedents.

Dec. 17. 50. Sir Wm. Halliday and five others of the Muscovy Company to the King. Being appointed Commissioners to consider the best mode of paying the debts of the Company, amounting to 24,000*l.*, they propose that such part as is owing to bad debts shall be defrayed by those who incurred them, and the remainder for Ambassadors' charges, &c. levied upon the stock of the Company. *Annexed is,*

50. I. *Detailed statement of the above debts, and of the mode in which the levy is proposed to be made.*

Dec. 17. 51. John Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Thinks he will win his sweetheart. The legacy left her by her grandfather is to be made up to 1,000*l.*, and she has her share in the rest of his property. Private affairs.

Dec. 18. 52. Wm. Hunton to the Same. His sister Jane desires him to say that her friends dissuade her from the match, and that she desires Nicholas will proceed no further in it.

[Dec. 18.] 53. Protestation of the House of Commons, that their liberties are their ancient and undoubted birthright; that affairs concerning the

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King, State, defence of the realm and church, making laws, redressing grievances, &c. are proper subjects of debate in Parliament, and that each member has entire freedom of speech therein, and cannot be censured except by the House itself, which is to complain of any member to the King, before he gives credence to private informations. [*Minute by Nicholas, partly in short hand. See Dec.* 30.]

[Dec. 18.] 54—57. Four copies of the above.

Dec. 19. Wednesday. 58. Request of the House of Commons, that Mr. Treasurer will influence the King to suspend the patent for glass, complained of as a grievance, and that of Sir Ferd. Gorges, which restrains fishing on the coasts of New England; also that he will acquaint His Majesty with a petition, &c., exhibited by Eleazar Jackson, a minister, against the recusants of Monmouthshire.

Dec. 19. Wednesday. 59. Note of the reading of a commission adjourning the House till Feb. 8, of its being sent to the Commons, with a message that by virtue thereof Parliament is adjourned, and of their reply that they will adjourn their own House also to the same time. Latin.

Dec. 19. 60. Proceedings in the House of Commons on May 8, May 28 to June 4, Nov. 14, Dec. 7, and Dec. 19, 1621, relating to the adjournment or prorogation of Parliament.

Dec. 19. 61. Another account of the proceedings on adjournment of the House.

Dec. ? 62. Brief of the case of Caleb Morley, in a cause brought before the House of Lords, between Caleb Morley and Allan Bishop, the former being presented to the parsonage of Stalbridge by the King, on an alleged vacancy, owing to the simony of Allan Bishop, who was presented thereto by the late Earl of Castlehaven, through mediation of Lord Chancellor Bacon. Printed.

Dec. ? 63. Brief of a bill exhibited in Parliament by Lady Melior Dackombe, widow, John Dackombe, son and heir, and Wm. and Nich. Dackombe, brothers and executors of the late Sir John Dackombe, for permission to sell the manor of Henstridge, co. Dorset, for payment of his debts, notwithstanding the minority of the heir.

Dec. 19. 64. Collection of Parliamentary precedents, drawn from the Parliament of 1621 [by Sir Joseph Williamson].

Dec. 19. Notes [by Nicholas] of proceedings in the House of Commons from Nov. 20 to Dec. 19, 1621. [*Partially in short hand. Dom. Corresp., vol.* CXXV., *No.* 2.]

Dec. 20. Whitehall. 65. The Council to the Justices of Assize for Bedfordshire. Forward a petition of Reginald Horne and others, inhabitants of Kensworth Flamstead, co. Herts, complaining that, notwithstanding five verdicts against Henry Cony and Phil. Pherrers touching a right of common claimed by the petitioners, they still obstruct them therein; they are to be compelled to submit or bound over to appear before Council.

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Dec. 20. Whitehall. 66. Order in Council, referring to Lord Carew, Master of the Ordnance, and the Commissioners of the Navy, the consideration of a report by the Trinity House of eight or ten Dutch ships lately brought into the Thames, professing to be purchased by Englishmen, and requiring supplies of ordnance, although it is not quite certain whether they will be employed by Englishmen or strangers.

Dec. 20. 67. Copy of the above, with variations.

Dec. ? 68. Petition of Capt. Thos. Squibb to the King. Was Captain of the store ship for the fleet against Algiers. Prays for an augmentation of his allowance, his Majesty having raised the salaries of his captains to 10*s.* per day. *Annexes,*

68. I. *Grounds of Capt. Squibb's claim to additional remuneration, viz., that by a previous captivity in Algiers, he was able to give valuable information on the state of the town; that he took care of the sick and wounded, who were put on board his ship; negociated the sale of goods and ships taken from the pirates; was at the attempt to fire their ships, &c.*

Dec. 20. 69. Sir Robt. Mansell to the Lord Admiral. Appointed Capt. Squibb to go on the Algiers expedition on account of his knowledge and sufficiency; found him very useful in employments to the Viceroy, &c. of Algiers, as well as in other services, and begs that he may receive the same pay as the rest of the captains.

Dec. 20. 70. Copy of the above.

Dec. 20. 71. Susannah Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. His father is going to talk with his cousin Hunton, and is in good hope the lady may be won.

Dec. 21. Dover. 72. Mayor, &c. of Dover to Lord Zouch. Send 108 dangerous books, seized from Abraham Siroise, a Frenchman, just landed. Have not detained him, because he had a packet addressed to the French Ambassador.

Dec. 22. Grant to Sir Thos. Badger of the office of Master of the Harriers, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 309.]

Dec. 22. London. 73. Chamberlain to Carleton. Proceedings between the King and Parliament. The House of Commons, after receiving and replying to the King's last letter, met again to enter their protestation, to prevent which his Majesty sent a commission of adjournment. The Upper House intended something similar, and ordered Mr. Selden to search the records about it. Sir Sam. and Edwin Sandys have been silent, and Sir D[udley] D[iggs] has lost his reputation in the House, and is not listened to. A fire in the Six Clerks' Office in Chancery Lane has destroyed many records, rolls, &c.; it was in danger of spreading to the Rolls House, but was quenched there, Sir Julius Cæsar giving 20*l.* amongst those most active to subdue it. The King is returning to town, and stands sponsor for the Lord Treasurer's son. He has been entertained with

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a masque by Sir John Crofts and his daughters, and they visited him at Newmarket. Report of troops to be sent for the Palatinate.

Dec. 22. 74. Locke to Carleton. Money matters. The Parliament is adjourned till February. The King pronounced the reply of the House to his last letter mannerly and well penned; fears he will not like the protestation as well. *Incloses,*

74. I. *The King's reply to the petition of the Commons. Newmarket, Dec.* 11. *Imperfect.* [*See Dec.* 11.]

74. II. *The Same to Sec. Calvert. Newmarket, Dec.* 16. [*See Dec.* 16.]

74. III. *The Same to the Speaker of the House of Commons. Theobalds, Dec.* 17. [*See Dec.* 17.]

74. IV. *The House of Commons to the King. Thanks for his gracious letters to the Speaker. Are very desirous to comply with His Majesty's wishes and constitute a session by making good laws, but the time being very short, wish to know his pleasure as to when they shall adjourn, that they may perfect the matters in preparation.* [*Dec.* 17.]

74. V. *Protestation of the House of Commons.* [*See Dec.* 18.]

Dec. 25? 75. Hen. Carey Visct. Rochford to the Marquis of Buckingham. Has read history on his behalf, and finds that the truest wisdom in great men is to be magnanimous, but not over credulous towards those enemies whose envy will ever attend them as their shadow.

[Dec. 25,] Christmas Day. 76. John Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Jane [Jaye's] grounds of objection to the marriage are only fears lest she should not be well enough provided for. Promised her to settle on them what they think reasonable. Advises him to come down to conclude the business, and sends him such a letter as he can show to Lord [Zouch], as a plea for request of absence. *Incloses,*

76. I. *The Same to the Same. Not being in good health, is desirous to settle his estate. Desires to see him, that he may communicate a private matter to him. Winterbourne Earls, Dec.* 24.

76. II. [*The Same to Wm. Hunton.*] *Details of an interview with his sister*[*-in-law*] *Jane* [*Jaye*], *the grounds of her objection to the match, and his replies thereto. Begs Hunton's influence with her, his son being very anxious for the match.*

Dec.? 77. Wm. Hunton to [Nicholas]. His sister will not consent to live with his father's large family, but if his father will so provide for him as that they may live in the state she now lives in, and provide also for her future, thinks she would not refuse him.

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[Dec. 26.] St. Stephen's Day, Edmund Hall. 78. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Private affairs. Thinks his desire both for jointure and allowance reasonable, &c.

Dec. 26. Dartmouth. 79. Mayor of Dartmouth to the Council. A ship of war of Rochelle has brought into Dartmouth a French prize laden with sugars, belonging to merchants of Rouen, who have procured a commission from the Admiralty Court for stay of the said prize, &c. Has stayed it accordingly, and the trade of the town depending much on sale of cloth at Rouen, begs confirmation of former orders, that the coasts of the kingdom being free for trade, no ships of the King's allies should be made prizes of in the ports.

Dec. 27. 80. Locke to Carleton. Requests, on behalf of Sir Albert Morton, that he will allow of an acquittance for 100*l.*, given by the trustees of Capt. Thornihurst to Burlamachi, who will then pay the money in England.

Dec. 29. Lyme Regis. 81. Mayor of Lyme Regis to the Council. Has received certain examinations from Ireland relative to some inhabitants of Lyme, whom he has thereupon re-examined. *Incloses,*

81. I. *John Layton, Sovereign of Baltimore, to the Mayor of Lyme Regis. Sends certain examinations at request of the Bp. of Cork, who wishes the parties to be called on to repeat their testimony. Baltimore, Dec.* 20.

81. II. *Examinations of Theo. Dicar and Jonas Knott, of Lyme Regis, by the Bp. of Cork. Sailed from Ireland with pilchards for St. Sebastian's, and, in returning, put into the island of Use* [*Ushant?*], *near Bretagne, when the Governor of the island, Marquis de Rere, seized their bark for service against the Rochellers, and said that the French would first drive the Huguenots out of France, and then out of England, for the English King was a coward, and made war with nobody. He gave them an old boat to return in. Nov.* 30.

81. III. *Examinations of the Same, by the Mayor of Lyme Regis, to the same purport as the above. Dec.* 29.

Dec. 29. Dover. 82. Commissioners of the passage at Dover to Lord Zouch. Tobie Matthew, a known recusant, has landed from Paris, showing letters from Lord Digby for his return; he promises to wait on his Lordship on his arrival in town, and therefore, though much perplexed what to do, they have suffered him to proceed to London.

Dec. 30? 83. Account of the King's coming to Council, and calling for the Clerk of Parliament to produce the Journal Book of the Commons, in which was recorded the protestation of privileges. He declared himself offended with it, because it was drawn up after his

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repeated assertions of his wish to preserve all the liberties of the House, and at the very time when he was receiving a deputation from them, and promising compliance with their wishes for an adjournment, and because it was put to the question at six o'clock at night, when not a third of the members were present; also that it contains words which may be construed so as to invade most of the prerogatives of the Crown; therefore in a full assembly of Council, and in presence of the Judges, His Majesty erased it from the Journal Book with his own hand, and ordered an Act of Council to be entered thereof.

Dec. 31. Whitehall. 84. Lord Digby to Lord [Zouch]. Tobie Matthew, having the King's licence to return to England, is stayed at Dover by his Lordship's officers. Requests that he may be freed, and allowed to attend His Majesty.

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Grant on rental to Edw. and Robt. Ramsay, of the manor of Apse, co. Hants, and of divers other manors, &c. in several counties, value 152*l.* 5*s.* 5*d.* per ann., to complete the grant of lands, value 500*l.* per ann., made to the Earl of Holderness. Imperfect. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 9.]

Letter to Sir John Heydon, signifying the King's pleasure that he should pass his grant of the fen lands, &c., or declare his intentions therein, these lands being now enjoyed by the commoners to the King's loss, whilst other fen lands are entered in charge to the King. [*Docquet.*]

85. ——— to the King. Philotheos, a Grecian monk, of the Order of St. Basil, Procurator of the Convent of the Holy Cross of St. Jerusalem, at Golgotha, having been well received by His Majesty, and permitted to collect alms in behalf of his convent, which is much oppressed by the impositions of infidels, has well conducted himself in England, and being now on his return, earnestly desires letters from the King to all Princes, his allies, and to his agents, resident in Turkey, requesting them to favour him on his journey. Latin.

86. The King to John Williams, Bp. of Lincoln. Grants him a dispensation from preaching at Westminster on certain festivals, or residing there eight months in the year, as required by his oath as Dean, in order that he may spend the more time in his bishopric. [*Draft in Williams's own hand.*]

87. Fair copy of the above, with a proviso that he shall, notwithstanding, enjoy all profits and emoluments of the deanery.

88. The King to the Bp. [of Lincoln]. Complaint having been made by his metropolitan of his absence from his diocese at the principal feasts, and he having alleged, in excuse, his oath as Dean of Westminster, dispenses with his observance of that oath, &c.

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89. [The Council to the Attorney and Solicitor General.] Desire their opinions whether the office petitioned for, mentioned by Jas. Maxwell, may be lawfully established.

90. Edw. Reynoldes to [the Earl of Worcester]. Sir Thos. Clerk, Hugh Allington and Thos. Mills being now dead, his cousin Castle hopes for the office of Clerk of the Privy Seal.

91. The Same to the Same. His cousin Castle presents himself with his bill to be subscribed [for the Clerkship of the Privy Seal]. Thanks his Lordship for granting him the office.

92. Thos. Lord Wentworth to Lady Fielding. Returns a picture, which, for her sake, he does not wish to be seen in his possession.

93. Petition of Thos. Anderson, of Kingston-upon-Hull, Mariner, to the Council, for Sir Clement Edmondes to deliver up the petitioner's bond to go the north-east passage.

94. Petition of John Chudleigh, Edw. Giles, and Phineas Pett, to the Same, for payment of their wages, &c., for the expedition against the pirates, the other captains having been already paid.

95. Petition of John Clarke, Deputy Surveyor, for John Taverner of the King's woods South of Trent, to the Same, that Capt. Fitzgerald, imprisoned for repeated disobedience to orders in Chancery to pay him a debt of 100*l.*, be not discharged from prison until he satisfies the debt.

96. Petition of John Deanes to the Same, for release from the Gatehouse, where he has been committed for selling tobacco.

97. Petition of Dr. [John] Farmery, Chancellor of Lincoln, to the King. The Bp. of Lincoln tries to displace him from his office, contrary to His Majesty's pleasure. Prays that Thos. Lund, the Bishop's Proctor, who interrupted him in its execution, may be called before the Council.

98. Petition of Sir Wm. Fleming, Sir Fras. Mackworth, and others, for themselves and the reformed English and Scottish officers serving the States General, to the King. The States promised them, on conclusion of the peace with Spain, twelve years before, pensions of 80*l.* per ann. and preferment, but have failed to fulfil their promises. Request that they may have their pensions paid, without being compelled to go to Holland to obtain them.

99. Petition of Geo. Freeman to Lord Zouch, complaining of the neglect of Mr. Marsh, for not serving a writ of "capias ad legatum" against Nich. Jones, for a debt, and for protracted delays in appearing on his behalf, as he promised.

100. Petition of Rich. Jobson to Sec. Calvert, Knight of the Shire for Yorkshire. Is possessed, by grant from the Crown, of the tithe corn in the manor of Rimswell, Yorkshire. The manor has been

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sold, and the purchaser has converted the arable land to pasture, without making compensation for the tithe; prays redress.

101. Petition of Sir John Michell, sen. and jun., to the Council, for a writ of "ne exeat regnum" against Sir Geo. Peckham, a recusant, who refuses to fulfil the award made by arbitrators appointed by the Court of Chancery, as to payment for the manors of Shipley, and sale of Bilborough and Strelley, in which the petitioners have interest.

102. Petition of Sam. Pordage, Grocer of London, to the King. Has long been employed in detecting and convicting burglars, cut-purses, highway robbers, defacers of coin, &c.; discovered the men who stole the King's plate, at Lord Digby's house, and was dangerously wounded in seizing those who stole the King's provision from his purveyors; prays recompence for his service, and for a hurt received therein.

103. Petition of Thomasine Powell to the Council, for compensation from the East India Company or the Hollanders, for loss sustained by the death of her son, who was taken by the Hollanders at the Moluccas, and starved to death in prison.

104. Petition of the Same to the Same, for compensation from the Hollanders for the above loss. The East India Company can give her no relief, her son's goods having never come to their hands.

105. Petition of the Same, and thirty other widows, to Visct. Mandeville, President of the Council, for immediate relief and compensation for the loss of their husbands, children, and goods, taken at the Moluccas by the Hollanders. The States of Holland having given the merchants satisfaction, it was ordered in Council that the merchants should give them satisfaction. The business was referred to the Trinity House, and thence to the Admiralty Court, where the compensation offered was so small that they will be ruined.

106. Petition of the Drapers of Shrewsbury to the Council, that as by the late Proclamation for free trade in Welsh cloths, the French Company are able to buy Welsh cloths themselves, instead of purchasing through them, they may be allowed to export them to France, having a large stock on hand, and fearing ruin from its non-disposal.

107. Petition of Walter and Mary Thomas to the Same. Robt. Englefield, late husband of Mary Thomas, held a farm in Dunsborn, co. Gloucester, from Corpus Christi College, Oxford, of which she is unlawfully deprived by John Orson and others; pray that the case may be examined by the Lord Say and Sele, Sir Fras. Waynman, Sir Robt. Jenkins, and others named.

108. Petition of Thos. Webb to the Council, to be dismissed from attendance on them, as he is ready to pay the 20*s.* assessed on him by the bailiffs of Yarmouth for protecting fisher boats against pirates, for non-payment of which he was summoned to the Council.

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109. Petition of Sir John Windham and Sir John Strangways to the Same, for restoration to them, as co-heirs, and conformable to the church, of certain arms taken from the late Dorothy Wadham, widow of Nich. Wadham, recusant.

110. Petition of John Worrall, on behalf of himself and other glass-makers, to the Same. Were instructed in glass making by Sir Jerome Bowes, but by Sir Robt. Mansell's patent are prevented from pursuit of their calling. Pray for licence to carry it on, for which they are willing to pay 1,000*l.* per ann. to the Crown.

111. Petition of Isaac Bungard to the Same, on behalf of himself and other glass-makers. Sir Robt. Mansell has obtained a patent for sole manufacture of glass, which has been pronounced a monopoly by two Parliaments. Request that the patent may be called in, and all the English allowed to make glass, for which licence they will pay 500*l.* per ann. to the King, and make it 2*s.* a pound cheaper than Mansell.

112. Eliz. Lady Mansell to Sir Clement Edmondes. Desires the liberation of Bungard, provided he will promise not to infringe on Sir Robt. Mansell's patent, nor disturb his glass-works. *Annexing,*

112. i. *Declaration of Bungard, that he is sorry for his expressions against Mansell, but fears to commit himself to the pledge required by Lady Mansell, lest it may be strained to his inconvenience.*

113. Statement [by Sir Thos. Wilson] of the advisability of printing a gazette of news in England, as already done in Germany, France, Italy, and Spain. Requests a patent for himself and Mr. Pory, to print such a gazette, and also to be "overseers of all books of humanity which shall be printed."

114. Statement of the excellency of a proposed new manner of dressing wool for cloth.

115. Account of the losses sustained by the Company of Merchant Adventurers in voyages of discovery to Ginney, Binney, and the River Gambia, in 1618, 1619, and 1620.

116. Note of allowances to Lord Digby, for his services in Germany, Spain, and Flanders, his pension from the Council of War, &c. Fragment.

117. ——— to ———. Details the cautious proceedings of the Lord Treasurer in his grant of a certain place in the customs to Morgan, which Rookes, a bold fellow, clamours against, and endeavours to subvert.

118. Reasons in favour of the exemption of the Cinque Ports from the payment of subsidies, on account of the services laid upon them in reference to shipping, watches in the garrison towns, &c.

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119—129. Memoranda of disbursements, chiefly by Rich. Graham, for the Marquis of Buckingham, during the years 1618, 1619, 1620, and 1621. Eleven papers.

130. Latin inscription for the Banquetting House at Whitehall, on its re-erection after the fire.

131. Laws and regulations for King James's Hospital of the Charter House, founded at the expense of Thos. Sutton, as ordered by the governors thereof.

132. Answer by Roger Wodrington to the Council, upon the charge of Thos. Ogle that he prevents the forfeitures of lands in Riddesdale, for theft, from coming to His Majesty. States the mischiefs resulting, both in the late and present reign, from the custom in Riddesdale of dividing the estates among all the children, and not permitting them to be forfeited for any crime committed by the owners within their own franchises.

133. Answer by the Same to the particular charges contained in the articles of Thos. Ogle, of connivance at crime, receiving of bribes, and proud and oppressive conduct.

134. Project for a more ready and less chargeful mode of governing the borders, which are now brought to a peaceable estate, by abolishing the present commission, and committing the government to noblemen and justices of the peace resident on the borders.

135. Memoranda [by Roger Wodrington ?] of the former and present state of the offices of Norham and Island Shires, Cookdale, Riddesdale, and Tynedale, co. Northumberland. The inhabitants of those counties are disarmed, and castles in decay ; the lands are on sale, and may be advantageously purchased by the King.

136. Statement, by the Commissioners of subsidy for [Worcestershire], of the taxes which they have laid upon themselves [for the first payment of the second subsidy, 18 Jac. I.]

137. Instructions for the better preservation of His Majesty's coppices, timber trees, and other woods, within his forests, chaces, parks, &c., drawn up for Mr. Treswell.

138. Proposition that the King, as well as the Farmers of Customs, should benefit by the goods landed by merchant strangers at London and Dover, and afterwards transported in English shipping, for safety from their enemies.

139. Report by Sir Robt. Johnson, and other officers of the ordnance,—on a petition by the assignees of Sir Roger Aston, that they are wronged by the appropriation to the private use of the officers of the Tower of the part of the wharf granted to him,—denying that it is used by the ordnance officers. State the present ruinous state of the Tower wharf, by injuries from ships and land carriages, so that the pieces of ordnance are half buried in mud, and rendered unserviceable, and suggest remedies therefor.

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140—145. Endymion Porter to his wife, Olive Porter. Notes of affection; regret at his absence from her, &c. Six letters.

146. The Same to the Same. Wishes her a safe delivery. Is distracted because his master (Buckingham) will not permit him to come to her at such a time.

147—150. The Same to the Same. Notes of affection, containing allusions to their little son George. Four letters.

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1, 2. Parliamentary Note Book, by Edw. Nicholas; calendared under March 16 and Dec. 19, 1621.

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1. "Tom Tell-truth; or, a free Discourse concerning the Rumours of the Times." A treatise addressed to the King, detailing the grounds of the general discontent with the policy of the government, both in home and foreign affairs.

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Jan. 1. 1. Locke to Carleton. The King is so annoyed with the protestation that it is thought he will dissolve Parliament. Sir Edw. Coke is committed close prisoner to the Tower, and Sir Robt. Phelips sent for. Sir Ant. Ashley marries Mrs. Shelley [or Shelton], a relation of Buckingham. The Council are making an expurgatory index of justices of the peace, weeding out twenty or thirty in some counties.

Jan. 1. 2. John Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Thinks Mrs. Jane inclines to the match; advises him to come down. Family affairs. With French notes, by Edw. Nicholas, relative to the property left to [Jane Jaye] by her grandfather.

Jan. 3. 3. Sir Wm. Croft to Carleton. Thanks for favours.
St. James's.

Jan. 3. 4. Sir Sam Peyton to Lord Zouch. The prejudice of the people of Dover is rather against his office of bailiff than against himself; they know that he has means, and will not yield to them as Mr. Alley did. Particulars of their refusing him admission because he had not a letter of attendance, and of his retorting on them with some angry remarks, in which they profess he said something derogatory to his Lordship.

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Jan. ? 5. Points of the information brought by Sir Sam. Peyton against the town of Dover, relating to their rights as a corporation.

Jan. 4. 6. List of persons to whom grants of the moiety of old debts of the Crown have been made since 1607, with dates of their several patents, and account of the sums actually paid upon them.

Jan. 4 ? 7. Petition of the assignees of old debts due to the Crown, to the King, for permission to have leases of such lands as are extended for the said debts, in cases where the owners refuse to pay or compound for them, as they have hitherto been rather losers than gainers, owing to the trouble of getting in their moneys.

Jan. 4. London. 8. Chamberlain to Carleton. Great christening of the Lord Treasurer's son at Chelsea; the King, who was godfather, gave the child 1,000*l.* in land. Sir Edw. Coke has been examined, on accusation of failing of his duty as a counsellor and a subject, and is in great danger of a fall; his papers are searched by Sir Robt. Cotton and Sir Thos. Wilson. The seizure of Mr. Hakewill, Mr. Pymme, and Sir Robt. Phelips make it thought that he is attacked on Parliament business. The King is extremely displeased with the protestation, and calls all his servants to account for not opposing it, but most of them plead absence. Parliament would be dissolved, but that the judges say unless it be made a session, the two subsidies could not lawfully be collected, and if it be a session, many good laws would fall to the ground, for want of being continued. Don Gondomar is said to influence affairs; he is more powerful than any ambassador before. Tobie Matthew is said at his last visit to have made money for himself or the late Chancellor, by getting motions, injunctions, &c. Buckingham, with his wife and mother, dined with the Bp. of London, and they were confirmed in his chapel. The Spanish match said to be concluded, which is enough to dissolve Parliament.

Jan. 4 ? 9. Wm. Hunton to Edw. Nicholas. Advises him to come down to prosecute in person his suit to his sister Jane.

Jan 4. 10. Susan Nicholas to her brother Edw. Nicholas. Is sorry to be unable to assist him in his suit.

Jan. 6. 11. Notes from Proclamations for dissolution of Parliaments, Sept. 14, 1586, Dec. 31, 1610, and Jan. 6, 1622; with queries as to the legality of dissolution, except by commission.

Jan. 6. Westminster. Proclamation detailing the principal transactions between the King and Parliament, and the reasons why, its happy beginnings being thwarted by the turbulence of certain unruly spirits, his Majesty now concludes to dissolve it, and declaring it dissolved accordingly. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 99.]

Jan. 7. Westminster. Proclamation, that, for preventing the mischiefs that might arise from the burning of records in the fire at the Six Clerks' Office, Chancery Lane, all parties producing originals or authentic copies of such records shall have them re-inrolled without charge, and that

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fresh examinations of witnesses, &c. shall be made in cases where the pleadings relating to unfinished suits at law are destroyed. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 100.]

Jan. 7. 12. Wardens of the Goldsmiths' Company to Sir Robt. Heath. Send a list appended of 183 alien goldsmiths resident in London, with a statement of the grievances occasioned by their making counterfeit jewels, &c., and engrossing the trade, so that the goldsmiths are impoverished, and meaner trades have crept into Goldsmiths' Row in Cheapside, and Lombard Street; also suggestions for reformation thereof, by diminishing the number of alien goldsmiths, compelling them to work only for English goldsmiths, to submit to the ordinances of the Company, &c.

Jan. ? 13. Collection of the ordinances, &c. of the Goldsmiths' Company concerning strangers, from 42 Edw. III. to 5 Hen. VIII., extracted from the Company's books. Indorsed, "Frederick Hollingbeck, in Holborn."

Jan. ? 14. Master and Wardens of the Coopers of London to Sir Robt. Heath. Give a list of aliens employed as coopers by foreign brewers in London, to the detriment of the poor English coopers.

Jan. ? 15. Statement of the grievances of the Clockmakers of London, from the number and deceitful tricks of foreigners practising their trade; beg that they may not be permitted to work except under English masters, and that no foreign clocks may be imported; with a list of the clockmakers, both English and aliens.

Jan. ? 16. List of the names and residences of the strangers, clockmakers, in London.

Jan. ? 17. List of aliens, brokers, within the City of London; with the places of their habitation.

Jan. ? 18. Copy of the above; with their places of birth, &c. With note, that they are to attend on Monday, at two o'clock.

Jan. ? 19. List of aliens, warehouse keepers, in London. *Annexed is,*

19. I. *Fragment of a Royal mandate to consider how Scotch wools may be sold into England and draped there.*

Jan. ? 20. Petition of the Leatherdressers of Southwark to Sir Robt. Heath, for redress against the injury done to their trade by Dutchmen, who employ their countrymen as journeymen to work at the trade, without serving their apprenticeship.

Jan. ? 21. Supplication of the Leatherdressers in and about the borough of Southwark to Sir Edm. Bowyer, Lieutenant of Surrey, for redress of the wrongs they sustain in their trade from Peter De Vous, a Dutchman. With articles of accusation against him, and marginal notes of his replies.

Jan. 8. Ordnance Office. 22. Estimate [by the Officers of Ordnance] of the expense of Ordnance stores required for fourteen ships in harbour; total, 115*l.* 15*s.* 1*d.*

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Jan. 9. 23. The Commissioners of the Navy to the Lord Treasurer. Have estimated the expense of the Navy for the year 1622, the fourth year of their undertaking, at 29,981*l.* 8*s.* 5*d.*, and request an assignment therefor.

Jan. 10. 24. Sir Hen. Guildford to the Council. Has examined Stoke Park, according to order, and found little but underwood felled, and no damage done to the deer; has inventoried the goods in Stoke House, and sealed up the principal rooms, and also inventoried the goods at Bailie's farm, but not sealed the rooms, as Mr. Hen. Coke and his family live there; has forbidden any felling of timber or removal of cattle.

Jan. 11. Edinburgh. 25. Earl of Dunfermline to Robt. Abercromby. Mr. Kirk is not to be urged to an answer. Wishes to know if his letter have reached Count Gondomar, who was ill.

Jan. 11. Warrant to pay to Sir Wm. Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, 4,101*l.* 10*s.*, whereof 3,750*l.* is for repair of defects in six of the King's ships returned from Algiers, and 351*l.* 10*s.* for making a barricade across the Medway at Upnor Castle, for protection of the navy at Chatham. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Warrant to advance to Rich. Smith, Captain of Calshot Castle, 300*l.*, for repair of the causeway from the New Forest to the said castle, and to pay further sums if necessary therefor. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant, in reversion, to Geo. Bingley of one of the two auditorships of the Imprests [in the Exchequer], after Sir Fras. Gofton and Sir Rich. Sutton in possession, and Sir Ralph Freeman in reversion; likewise of one of the two auditorships of the Mint after the said Sir Fras. Gofton and Hen. Stanley in possession, and Sir Ralph Freeman in reversion. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant to Fras. Mansell, of Mudlescomb, co. Carmarthen, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant to Edw. Powell, of Penkelly, co. Hereford, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant to Visct. Fielding, on surrender of the Lord Treasurer, of the office of Master of the Great Wardrobe. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Indenture between the King and Lord Cranfield, discharging the latter of all sums received for ordinary expenses of the Great Wardrobe within three years ending at Michaelmas last, and also for the Queen's funeral, on his discharge to the King of all debts in the wardrobe during that time, or on account of the said funeral. [*Docquet.*]

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Jan. 11. Grant to Lord Fielding, Master of the Great Wardrobe for the present year, of certain annuities of 13,000*l.* out of French and Rhenish wines, and of 1,000*l.* out of sweet wines, which, with the assignments by Act of Parliament for expenses of the said wardrobe, &c., amount to 20,000*l.* per ann., with proviso of payment of 6,000*l.* to the Lord Treasurer for this year, and of reduction of 4,000*l.* per ann. for future years from the wardrobe allowance. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Grant to Visct. Fielding of all such sums of money as remain unexpended at the end of every year, from the annuities and assignments allowed for expenses of the Great Wardrobe. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 11. Warrant to pay to Robt. Hay, Gentleman of the Robes, 200*l.*, to be employed according to the King's directions. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 12. 26. Locke to [Carleton]. Sir Robt. Phelips gone to the Tower, and Sir Edw. Mallory of Yorkshire going thither. Sir Edw. Coke's large collections of papers are brought to the Council Chamber, and will be well searched. A servant of Bing, the Counsellor, has been questioned on the rack, and is likely to lose his life for prophesying a rebellion. The King is gone to Theobalds, and was endangered by falling from his horse into a ditch in the park. The Council are going to congratulate his escape. Has spoken to Sir Noel Caron about the ship of Doccum.

Jan. 14. Dover. 27. Rich. Marsh to Lord Zouch. Has sent to Sandwich about the Spanish money; 10*l.* is paid to the Mayor of Hastings for the bond forfeited by the surety of Bourne, Sir Thos. Pelham's man.

Jan. 16. 28. Buckingham to Lord Keeper Williams and others. Requests them to appoint a meeting to forward the business of the strangers, which only wants one meeting, that it may be ended before the term. With note [by Williams] that he will be ready on Friday or Saturday.

Jan. 16. Tavistock. 29. Earl of Bath to the Council. Has prepared the 300 foot ordered to be ready in Devonshire and Exeter for the King's service, but the city of Exeter prays relief from the proportion allotted to it. *Incloses,*

29. 1. *Mayor, &c. of Exeter to the Earl of Bath. Beg that the city may be freed from raising the twenty men appointed; it has never hitherto been subject to raising land forces, but, lying near the sea, has defended itself in divers rebellions, and has recently paid large sums to the pirate expedition and the Palatinate. Exeter, Jan.* 14.

Jan. 17. Commission to Sir Allan Apsley to discharge Sir Robt. and Lady Frances Carr from imprisonment in the Tower. [*Grant Bk., p.* 340.]

Jan. 1 Special commission to Lord Cranfield and others to disforest the forest of Pewsham and Blackmore, co. Wilts. [*Ibid., p.* 339.]

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Jan. 18. Exeter. 30. Mayor of Exeter and others to the Council. Desire to be relieved from finding the proportion of men to be supplied for His Majesty's service.

Jan. 18. 31. List of persons, including several ladies, summoned to attend [Council on the benevolence].

Jan. 18? 32. List of persons summoned by the messenger to appear [before Council], with marginal memoranda relating to them.

Jan. 18. Ordnance Office. 33. Estimate [by the Officers of Ordnance] of stores to be provided for the ships Victory and Dreadnought, now at sea. Total cost, 44*l.* 4*s.* 9*d.*

Jan. 19. 34. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] of the expense of provisions and stores for the Victory, Nonsuch, Assurance, and Dreadnought, continued in the Narrow Seas up to May 17. Total, 7,282*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*

Jan. 19. London. 35. Chamberlain to Carleton. The accident to the King might have been fatal, but that help was near. Buckingham was absent in Hertfordshire, but posted to him when he heard of it. The Lords examine Sir Robt. Phelips twice a week. They are busy trying to raise a benevolence; they send for rich men severally, and some promise 200*l.*, some 100*l.* The wilfulness of the Lower House has brought this on, but the contest with supreme authority is vain. The Archbp. of Canterbury has raised good sums from his clergy, though the application is ill-timed, after payment of two whole subsidies, collections for Bohemia and the French church, and the two last hard summers. Buckingham has bought Lord Walling ford's house at Whitehall, by paying some money, making Sir Thos. Howard Visct. Andover, and, some say, releasing the Earl and Countess of Somerset. Reports of creations of peers, and of the death of the Archbp. of York. Sir Hen. Savile is dangerously ill.

Jan. 19. 36. Locke to the Same. Lord Belfast, late Sir Art. Chichester, has arrived from Ireland; he is to have some chief employment in the affair of the Palatinate. The Lords are very busy raising a benevolence from citizens, courtiers, and gentlemen of the country, who are sent for and made to set down at once what they will pay, and few are let off under 100*l.* Barnes, a silkman, who was unwilling to pay, consented on a threat of being made a Commissioner for Ireland, and sent there a year or two on the King's service. Some of the richest Aldermen are to be made Barons. The Earl and Countess of Somerset are out of the Tower, and Sir Thos. Howard is to be Visct. Bindon.

Jan. 19. Grant to Fras. Visct. St. Albans of all arrears due to him by letters patent formerly made to him, and also of an annuity of 1,200*l.* for twelve years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 308.]

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Jan. 20. Winterbourne. 37. Matt. Nicholas to [Edw. Nicholas]. Is confident [Jane Jaye] will accept him, if he can assure her a fitting jointure and maintenance.

Jan. 20. Dover. 38. John Reading to Lord Zouch. Sends a letter which gave rise to reports that certain French Jesuits were bound for England, intending mischief. Has requested the French in the town who know them, to give warning if they arrive. Sends a pamphlet brought from Bourdeaux, slanderous to the King, &c.

Jan. 21. Sandwich. 39. Mayor of Sandwich to the Same. Has delivered the Spanish coin, which was stayed, to Mr. Dimster, the owner, on bond to bring it to London. It was shipped at Bilboa, and intended for Middleburgh, but the vessel being driven by weather into Sandwich, the searcher of the Customs seized it. It is decreed to be not forfeit, but is to be expended in the kingdom, and not exported.

Jan. 22. Grant to Dr. Roger Andrews of dispensation for holding the rectory of Cheriton and any other benefice with cure, together with other dignities and prebends without cure, which he now holds. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 23. 40. Locke to [Carleton]. Sends the King's declaration touching the late proceedings in Parliament. The Council sit daily about the grievances between the States and the merchants, and to obtain contributions for the benevolence. The courtiers are not spared. The imposts on foreign wines are doubled, and an extra tax of 9*d.* in the pound imposed on all commodities imported by strangers or denizens. Lord Chichester is still in town. *Incloses,*

40. 1. *Declaration of the King's reasons for dissolving the late Parliament, viz., their intermeddling with matters out of the range of Parliamentary jurisdiction, &c.* [*Chiefly contained in his reply to the Commons' petition, Dec.* 11 1621.]

Jan. 23. 41. Bp. of Norwich and Dr. Clement Corbett to the Council. On reference to them of the petition of the city of Norwich against the Master and Fellows of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, concerning the disposal of the fellowships, made two several appointments for hearing the cause, but no one appeared on behalf of the College; and as they have refused friendly overtures for mediation by the Vice-Chancellor, nothing but their Lordships' interference can preserve the fellowships for the city.

Jan. 23. 42. Committee of the merchants' fleet against pirates to the Council. Have with difficulty persuaded most of the companies to consent to pay their quota towards maintaining five ships for three months longer, but they will only do it if the French and Muscovy companies and Trinity House, who hold back, may be compelled to pay their proportions. All entreat that at the three months' end, no further burden may be imposed on them.

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Jan. 23. 43. Duplicate of the above.

Jan. 23. 44. Note of the distribution of 30*s.* [to the servants of the Archbp. of Canterbury] by Thos. Morton, Bp. of Lichfield and Coventry.

Jan. 23. Creation of Sir Thos. Howard to the rank of Baron Howard of Charleton and Visct. Andover. [*Grant Bk., p.* 344.]

Jan. 24. Rye. 45. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Send up Rich. Cockram, jurat, and John Brown and Rich. Beale, two fishermen, to certify the great destruction of fish, by the unlawful nets of the French fishermen, for which the French now press the Council to grant toleration.

Jan. 24. Winterbourne. 46. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. All the family interest themselves in the success of his suit. Mutilated.

Jan. 25. 47. Sir Thos. Wilson to his son-in-law, Ambrose Randolph Retorts on him the charge of breaking the marriage covenants between them, &c. Private affairs; his debts, &c.

Jan. 25? 48. List of seventy-four persons to be warned [to attend the Privy Council, on the benevolence] on Jan. 26.

Jan. 25? 49. Similar list of twenty-seven persons, warned to attend on Jan. 29.

Jan. 26. 50. Locke to Carleton. The King's declaration is not yet published. The Lords now summon persons before them who can only give 30*l.* or 20*l.* for the benevolence. Mr. Mallory, a Yorkshire gentleman, sent for, and committed to the Tower; the country opposed his coming, and many would have accompanied him, if he would have allowed it. Sir Hen. Savile is dangerously ill, but Mr. Murray being still a stranger at Court, some think he would not get the place [Provostship of Eton], if it now fell void.

Jan. 27. Newmarket. 51. The King to [the Bp. of Durham?]. As Sir Rich. Graham is endeavouring to reform vice in Cumberland, where he lives, by building a church, educating the young, &c., he is to have the benefit of the presentation to the church at Kirk-Andrews, the King's right to which is good, as is also that to the church of Ash Hurst, to which none are to be admitted, but on his Majesty's presentation. Carleton, a minister who has interrupted services in that part of the country, is to be stopped.

Jan. 28. Derby House. 52. Earl of Oxford to Capt. John Pennington. Authorizes him to take from certain ships such men and provisions as he shall think fit for the present service, to be made up to them out of the next supplies ordered.

Jan. 28. 53. Petition of Wm. Tatam, and three others, mariners, of Dover, to Lord Zouch. As they were sailing for London, their vessels were stayed at Tilbury Hope, and a sailor impressed out of each vessel, contrary to their privileges. Pray for release of the sailors, who have families dependent on them.

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Jan. 29. 54. Petition of Lady Mary Buckley to Lord Zouch, for leave to serve a writ on Fras. Wilford, resident within the Cinque Ports, to appear before Chancery touching her jointure lands, for which he is feoffee.

Jan. 29. Doctors' Commons. 55. Sir Geo. Newman to Lord Treasurer Cranfield. To be excused attendance on Council for three or four days, on account of sickness. This is not a feigned excuse; guesses the cause of his summons, and will not decline it.

Jan. 29. Winterbourne. 56. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Thinks the lady only conceals her affection till the jointure is settled.

Jan. 29. 57. Assignations by Lord Treasurer Cranfield and Sir Rich. Weston, for the 29,981*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*, estimated cost of the Navy for the coming year, upon the impost on silks and farm of the Customs. With request to Sir Robt. Pye, Auditor of the Exchequer, that the moneys thus assigned be not diverted to any other purpose.

Jan. 31. Warrant to the Chancellor of the Duchy [of Lancaster], to order the receiver to repay to the Duke of Lenox 900*l.* increased rents, by him paid for the manor of Kidwelly, co. Carmarthen, the extreme poverty of the tenants there having made his charges greater than his profit. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 31. Dover. 58. Mayor of Dover to Lord Zouch. Has received letters from the Earl of Oxford, requesting a supply of pilots, which cannot be had, most of the mariners being abroad; also an impress of forty seamen, with which he hesitates to comply, without further directions, as it would be an infringement of the liberties of the Cinque Ports. *Incloses,*

58. I. *Earl of Oxford to the Mayor of Dover. To ascertain from all captains of vessels who may put in there, the number, force, &c. of ships of all nations which they know to be at sea, and to send him notice thereof from time to time, to the Victory in the Narrow Seas. Sandwich,* **Jan. 30.**

58. II. *The Same to the Same. Requires him to provide five able pilots for the Narrow Seas, coasts of France, Flanders, &c., and have them ready against his arrival at Dover. Deal, Jan.* 30.

58. III. *The Same to the Same. Requests him to impress forty able seamen to attend him that night as he passes Dover. Victory,* 4 P.M., *Jan.* 30.

Jan. 59. Sir John Mill to Sir Geo. Calvert. Sends the examinations of a poor man brought before him for speaking against the King.

Jan.? 60. Wm. Earl of Bath to the King. Regrets that he has already granted to an old servant of his own the place of Muster-master in Devonshire, which His Majesty wished him to bestow on Fras. Lowman. Congratulates the King's happy escape.

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Jan. ? 61. Estimate [by the Officers of Ordnance] of the stores necessary for the Garland, commissioned to serve on the Narrow Seas in place of the Happy Entrance. Total cost, 215*l.* 14*s.* 1*d.*

Feb. 1. Newmarket. 62. The King to the Lord Treasurer. Approves his zeal in claiming the debts due to the Crown by the late Sir Thos. Watson, but wishes those due to him by the Crown to be also discharged; requests him therefore to examine the accounts for the wall about Greenwich Park, and deduct anything due on that account from the debt, and also to assist Lady Watson in gathering in her husband's debts.

Feb. 1. 63. Petition of John Houlter to Lord Zouch, to order the Mayor and officers of Hastings to execute process upon John Fissenden for arrears of rent due to him, which process they refuse to serve.

Feb. 2. 64. Petition of Thos. Jenman to the Same. Is a distressed copyholder of the manor of Hartley-Maudit, co. Hants, of which Dr. Styward is Lord. Entreats him to write to the Attorney General, to expedite decision in a vexatious suit prosecuted against him in the Star Chamber by Dr. Styward.

Feb. 2. Newmarket. 65. The King to the Council. Has tried by treaties to recover his children's patrimony, but having failed is obliged to take up the sword, and, wanting the expected help from Parliament, is constrained to try the affections of his people by a voluntary contribution. Requires them to summon persons of wealth residing in or near London, and request them to give according to their means; also to write to persons of quality in the country, to contribute themselves and to collect from others what they will give towards so just a cause.

Feb. 2. Hilbury. 66. John Philpot to Lord Zouch. Has reached Hilbury, fourteen miles beyond Chester, and only waits the wind to sail for Dublin. Hopes if he becomes free again to serve his Lordship in a nearer place, and meanwhile desires his favour to his desolate wife and children.

Feb. 2. Presentation of Lodowick Wemies to the Vicarage of Gedney, diocese of Lincoln. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 2. Grant to John Graham of pardon for a murder on the Borders, in the late Queen's time, and for any felonies committed since. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 2. Grant to Sir Robt. Carey, Chamberlain to the Prince, of the rank of Baron Carey, of Leppington, co. York. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 4. 67. Locke to [Carleton]. The East India merchants prefer fresh complaints against the Hollanders. The Earl of Oxford and Sir Fras. Steward, his Vice Admiral, have gone to their fleet of four of the King's ships, and five of the merchants. The Lords, having had up the principal men of the City about the contribution, have written to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen to deal with the rest, and also to the Judges and Officers of the Courts of Justice to do what they can. Lord Belfast has offered 500*l.*, to be spared the embassy [to Germany]; he advises 20,000*l.* to be sent to provide victuals, whilst the passage

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is free to the Palatinate, but so much money is not yet promised. Lord St. Albans is likely to be restored to the Council Table. The King has given special warrant to the Lord Treasurer to pay him his pension of 1,200*l.* per ann. The Bp. of Spalato has preached a sermon at the Mercers' Chapel favourable to the Church of Rome; it is reported that he will be deprived. The Earl of Berkshire shot himself with a cross-bow, &c. *Incloses,*

67. 1. *The King to the Council, respecting the contribution for defence of the Palatinate.* [*See Feb.* 2].

Feb. 4. London. 68. John Harvey to Carleton. Particulars of the illness, death, and funeral of Nich. Hare. Wishes a copy, by Michael Janson, of a portrait of him, which is in Carleton's possession.

Feb. 4. Grant to Wm. Arundel of 1,000*l.*, the fine imposed on Sir Fras. Englefield for his contempt in Chancery. [*Grant Bk., p.* 308.]

Feb. 4. Commission to Lord Cranfield, &c. to receive the accounts of Hen. Visct. Falkland, late Master of the Jewel House. [*Ibid., p.* 340.]

Feb. 5. Commission to Sir Fras. Goodwin, &c., to order a survey of Barnwood Forest, co. Bucks. [*Ibid, p.* 340.]

Feb. 5. Winterbourne. 69. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. On his love affair. The lady is very melancholy.

Feb. 6. Winterbourne. 70. The Same to the Same. States the transactions between their father and his mistress, relative to security for the jointure to be allowed to her, and her portion.

Feb. 6. Southampton. 71. Mayor, &c. of Southampton to the Council. A merchant ship from that port, going with a cargo for Bourgneuf, in France, and riding at anchor in the port of Conquet, was seized by two French ships, and carried away to Brest, where she is still retained. Beg redress. *Annex,*

71. 1. *Certificate by the Officers of Customs of Southampton, that the ship Gift of God, laden with cloth, &c., after paying customs, embarked for Bourgneuf in France, in December last. Southampton, Feb.* 6.

Feb. 6. Dover. 72. Wm. Leonard to Lord Zouch. A large Flemish ship, laden with white wine, is wrecked in the Narrow Seas, and all the men drowned. The Earl of Oxford's fleet have picked up forty or fifty hogsheads, which they found floating on the water, and the men of Dover have rescued several tuns, which remain at his Lordship's disposal.

Feb. 6. 73. Petition of Rich. Hurlston and others, mariners of Dover and Sandwich, to the Same. Having reached London with a cargo of wines of Bourdeaux, have been delayed fifteen days by the refusal of the merchants to take the wines, on account of the increased impositions thereon, and meanwhile five of their sailors have been impressed; beg that they may be dismissed, and their men released.

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Feb.? 74. Note that a few vintners have petitioned the Council against the duty of 40*s.* per tun on wines. The business being of importance to Marquis Hamilton, and to the continuation of the impost, the King is requested to be present at the hearing. Indorsed, "His Majesty will heare it."

Feb. 7. 75. Locke to Carleton. The States' Commissioners, after consenting to restitution of goods taken from our merchants in the Indies, made demands for freight, &c. so exorbitant, that the treaty was in a fair way to break off, &c.

Feb. 9. Whitehall. 76. The Council to the [Justices of Peace] of cos. Wilts, Gloucester, Somerset, Worcester, Dorset, Oxford, Kent, Suffolk, Devon, and York. Have had many complaints of distress owing to the weavers and spinners being out of work, and have thereupon ordered the merchants to buy up cloth as much as possible; require them to deal with the clothiers to renew their works, it being unfitting that they should at their pleasure dismiss their workpeople, who are thus deprived of livelihood, and disturb the Government. Where the unemployed poor are very numerous, a common stock is to be raised to find them work; all who disobey these orders are to enter bonds to appear before Council. Have ordered the wool dealers not to store up wools, thereby to enhance the price, but to sell them on moderate terms; those who have gained in profitable times must now be content to lose for the public good, till the decay of trade be remedied.

Feb. 9. 77. List of sixteen Baronets, Knights, and Gentlemen of Hertfordshire, to be warned to attend Council [on the contribution]. With marginal notes of the serving of the notices.

Feb. 9. 78. Like list of two gentlemen of Essex.

Feb. 9. 79. Like list of twenty-five persons of Sussex.

Feb. 9. 80. Like list of thirty-five persons of Surrey.

Feb. 9? 81. Duplicate lists for Sussex and Surrey, with list of eleven persons additional of Sussex, who were sent for on a second warning.

Feb. 9? 82. Like lists of twenty-five persons summoned from co. Middlesex, ten from Essex, sixteen from Herts, ten from Cambridge, four from Hunts, six from Leicester, nine from Bedford, eleven from Berks, sixteen from Bucks, and sixty from Kent.

Feb. 9. Whitehall. 83. Order in Council, referring to Sec. Calvert, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Master of the Rolls, the decision of a difference between Nich. Massey, Clerk of the Commissioners of Sewers, cos. Northampton, Lincoln, &c., and Wm. Bridges, late Under-Sheriff of Cambridge, concerning the escheating of fines imposed upon Sir John Cage for negligence in executing the warrants of the Commissioners. All suits-at-law between them to be suspended in the meantime.

Feb. 10. 84. Petition of Lawr. Baker, of Old Romney, to Lord Zouch. Edw. Harward, of Ashford, being in custody for a debt to him of

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92*l.* 18*s.* 3*d.*, escaped from prison at Hythe by negligence of the Mayor, who was then decreed by the Court of Chancery to pay the debt, which he refuses to do; prays his Lordship to compel performance of the said decree.

Feb. 10. 85. Note by Wm. Leonard of forty-one pipes of wine found in the sea, and brought into Dover pier, since Feb. 2, 1621, with the names of the savers; also of eighteen more pipes taken up between Dover and Lydd.

Feb. 10? 86. Note by the Same, that Jas. Hugessen intends to send abroad a list of the marks on the above wines, so as to find an owner for them; has failed in endeavouring to keep the keys of the storehouses from Hugessen.

Feb. 10? 87. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. The wines taken from the sea near Dover are very good, and worth 16*l.* or 17*l.* a tun; asks directions whether they shall be sold at Dover or sent to London.

Feb. 10. 88. Locke to Carleton. The States' Commissioners have offered no tolerable conditions, and the treaty is likely to come to nothing. The richest persons in the neighbouring counties are summoned before Council to set down what they will contribute. Decay of the clothing trade, measures taken by Council to moderate the prices of wool, &c.

Feb. 10. 89. Sir Robt. Heath to Buckingham. Thanks for preferring his suit to His Majesty; had involved himself too much for Sir Thos. Watson, and hopes no one will be before him in obtaining the grant of Watson's debt.

[Feb. 12.] 90. Petition of the Eastland merchants to the Council, to consider their former petitions for preservation of their trade from ruin, by prohibition of the great importation of Eastern goods by strangers, and by permission to remove from Elbing to Dantzic, or some place more convenient.

Feb. 12. Whitehall. 91. Order in Council referring to Lord Brooke, Sec. Calvert, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Master of the Rolls, the above petition of the Eastland Merchants.

Feb. 12. Plymouth. 92. Mayor, &c. of Plymouth to the Lord Treasurer. Request fulfilment of his promise that they may not be interrupted in their fishery for Virginia, as threatened by Sir Ferd. Gorges, the western ports having little employment for the people but in shipping.

Feb. 14. 93. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Has delivered his letter to his mistress, and pressed his suit.

Feb. 14. 94. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] of the charge of wages, &c. for eighty men for the ship Garland, appointed to transport Lord Digby into Spain, who are to be pressed in the Thames, at 2*s.* 6*d.* per man; total 443*l.* 5*s.*

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Feb. 14. Winterbourne. 95. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. A sudden change has taken place in his mistress, and she wishes to break off the connexion. Mutilated.

Feb. 15. 96. [Fictitious] speech of the King in Parliament. Wishes to be the protector and restorer of his people, and therefore gives the following orders, which none are to transgress, under pains of Lèse-majesté. His declaration on his accession of making no change in religion was to accommodate the times, and was contrary to the hopes conceived of him abroad; declared then that the Catholic religion was true, though burdened with ceremonies. The Catholics then petitioned for freedom from persecution, but the times would not permit it; yet thenceforth has taken them under protection, allows them free exercise of their religion, and restores to them all their goods, &c. Has endeavoured to procure for the Prince an honourable marriage with the Infanta of Spain, but some persons try to prejudice the Prince against the match, especially Lord Rouch [Zouch?], who is imprisoned therefor. Gives precedents of marriages between England and Spain, and of matches of Princes differing in religion. Will send Lord Digby to bring the Infanta to England, and chastise all opposers thereto. As the defender of his people, is obliged to arm vessels to vindicate the spoils committed upon them by the Hollanders in the East Indies. With note, that the King has restored to Lord Gracette [?] his wife, sons, and goods, of which he had been deprived for twelve years, and made him one of the Council; also, that the Parliament did not like his speech, though they dissimulated for fear of offending His Majesty. Italian. Printed at Mantua, re-translated from a Spanish translation by Giovanni Dimas, made from the English printed in London, by Hercules Farnese, St. Paul's Churchyard.

Feb. 15. 97. Petition of Michael Jenyson, of Gray's Inn, prisoner in the Fleet, to the Council, for release and permission to prosecute by law his complaint against Sir Edw. Coke, who caused him to be severely treated in prison.

Feb. 15. Rye. 98. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Their fishermen have seen thirty-six French fisherboats fishing in the Sowe, most of them from Treport, of which they were formerly ordered to make prizes. Thanks for his aid to their fishermen in the complaints made to Council against those of France.

Feb. 16. Rye. 99. The Same to the Same. The fishermen have taken four French fisherboats of Caen and Somme, which were fishing on the coast without licence. Those of Treport came too well armed to be taken without greater force. Send samples of their nets, and the small fish caught therein.

Feb. 16. 100. Petition of the fishermen of Hythe to the Same, for licence to go to sea forthwith to catch soles, being unable, if they wait the limited day, to supply the increased demand for fish occasioned by the Proclamation for strict keeping of fish days, as the soles which are now in season will meanwhile be swept up by trawlers.

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Feb. 16. London. 101. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Council having taken the cream of the benevolence, have left London to the Lord Mayor's care, who rates persons at the amount of seven and a half subsidies. It will be called a malevolence. The coroner is ordered to suppress the manner of the Earl of Berkshire's death; Chris. Villiers is to marry his daughter. The Bp. of Spalato has leave to return to Rome, alleging intimacy with the Pope, and that the Kings of France and Spain have pledged themselves for his security. It is the Spanish Ambassador's doing. All are displeased with the infatuated proceedings of the States, which gives the Spaniards an advantage. Sir Robt. Carey is made Baron Leppington, and Sir Thos. Savage is to have his place about the Prince. Judge Chamberlain has married Lady Berkeley, Lord Chamberlain Hunsdon's only daughter, and Sir John Hobart, the Earl of Bridgewater's eldest daughter. Sir Hen. Savile has returned to Eton, resigned for death. The King is at Newmarket, and will go a shroving to Sir John Crofts', whose Lady and daughter Cecilia have been much at Newmarket lately. The Earl of Oxford's fleet has returned, for whilst they were at Portsmouth, the Dutch East India ships passed. Dean Corbett stuck fast in preaching before the King, and wrote a comedy on the Marriage of the Arts, so tedious that His Majesty could scarcely sit it out.

Feb. 16. 102. Locke to [the Same]. Proceedings with the States' Ambassadors. The merchants require restitution of their goods brought into Holland as the first point. The Lords have raised 22,000*l.* or 23,000*l.* for the benevolence, and have summoned before them the ablest men from neighbouring counties. For those more distant, commissioners are to be sent, who will not prevail as well as the Lords have done. Money is very scarce; in the clothing counties, the poor have assembled in troops of forty or fifty, and gone to the houses of the rich and demanded meat and money, which has been given through fear; they have also taken provisions in the markets. The Lords ordered the clothiers to keep their people at work, but as they complain that they cannot sell their cloth, usurers and moneyed men, though not in the trade, are ordered to buy it. There is a design to order all to wear cloth as an outer garment. Lord Oxford's fleet has returned, having done nothing; and the merchants beg the restoration of their ships. Lord Doncaster has returned [from France], and Sir Edw. Herbert is going.

Feb. 16. 103. Information by Robt. Derke, of Trowbridge, co. Wilts, and John Hickes, that Fras. Bucland, of West Harptree, co. Somerset, has held wools five years, and refused good offers for purchase thereof.

Feb. 16. 104. Petition of Griffin Palmer to the Council. Had a patent granting to him and his late father the auditorship of Christchurch, Oxford, but when Dr. King was Dean, he asked to see the patent, which was taken to him, and which he never would restore, but granted away the office to his brother, Phil. King; is ruined by the loss of his living, and entreats redress, being too poor to sue by law. With reference thereon to Phil. King, and his reply that Wm. Palmer, the petitioner's father, bequeathed the office by will to his son,

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Burton Palmer, from whose widow King bought it, and held it twenty years before his brother was Dean. The petitioner is a clamorous fellow, and has made false representations.

Feb. 17. Winterbourne. 105. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. The issue of his suit must depend on whether their father will insure the lady the sum she demands, though she cannot give assurance for the whole of her portion of 1,000*l.*

Feb. 18. Sir Thos. Smythe's, Philpot Lane. 106. Order of the Merchants' Committees for the expedition against pirates, that a deputation from them inform the Council that the companies desire the immediate recall of their ships from the Narrow Seas, or, at least, that they may not be detained longer than the three months conditionally assented to; that the companies do not think themselves chargeable with the wages of the captains who were not appointed by them, but are willing to allow them 2*s.* 6*d.* per day, if they will wait for payment till the collections bring it in, and till the French and Muscovy Companies and Trinity House bring in their arrears.

Feb. 18 ? 107. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Has had the wine casks filled up, and been to Thanet about the ship wrecked, but scarcely anything could be saved except the wine. She was a rich vessel, and the crew of one of the King's ships pulled out of her three bags of money, and shared it among themselves. His Lordship has lost 500*l.* in the affair, because the sailors were so afraid of being impressed that they did not like to go to sea.

Feb. 19. Newmarket. 108. The King to the Council. To give order for Mrs. Sadler to visit her father, Sir Edward Coke, in the Tower, she being a discreet woman, and likely to endeavour to bring him to more conformity.

Feb. [19]. 109. The Lord Admiral to the Commissioners of the Navy. Sends a petition of Thos. Squibb, Commander of the hospital ship, Goodwill, in the Algiers voyage. Wishes him to have allowance according to his worth. *Incloses,*

109. 1. *Petition of Capt. Thos. Squibb to the Council, for a warrant to compel the Merchants' Committees for the pirate expedition to pay him their half of his entertainment, his ship, the Goodwill, being the storeship, which was to be paid by the King and merchants jointly.*

Feb. 19. Westminster. 110. Commission to the Bp. of Peterborough, Lords Spencer, Fitzwilliam, and others, under the Act of 43 Eliz., for redressing misemployment of lands, moneys, &c. bequeathed for charitable uses, appointing them to inquire into all moneys, &c. bequeathed in Northamptonshire for maintenance of the poor, founding of scholarships, repair of havens, bridges, and roads, redemption of captives, &c.; to search into any abuse or misgovernment therein, give orders for redress, and certify the same into Chancery.

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Feb. 19. 111. Wm. Hunton to Edw. Nicholas. The suit with his sister must be broken off unless Nicholas's father will comply with her demands for maintenance. With note from Edw. Nicholas, transmitting the letter to his father.

Feb. 19. Winterbourne. 112. Matt. Nicholas to the Same. His mistress is displeased because their father is unwilling to accept assurance which she thinks good for the part of her portion unpaid; she refuses to allow the suit to be protracted.

Feb. 20. Dover. 113. Wm. Leonard to Lord Zouch. Has stayed a ship of war to his Lordship's use; the crew profess to come from Barbary, and say that the vessel was given them by a man of war, in lieu of a better which he took from them; supposes it will prove to belong to pirates; its cargo is chiefly wheat, and is worth 100*l.* or 120*l.*

Feb. 20. 114. Certificate of the Warden and Assistants of the Dyers' Company of London, that in searching for goods deceitfully dyed, they found in the house of Daniel Tibergen and Peter Cozie, both aliens, the false and deceivable dye called logwood, and some cloth dyed therewith, which, according to their rights, they endeavoured to seize and take to their hall, but were forcibly prevented by the wife and servants of the parties.

Feb. 20. Cambridge. 115. Decree of the General Sessions of Sewers. States that the King having undertaken the draining of the fen lands, being 360,000 acres, the sessions of Oct. 24 last allotted him 120,000 acres for expenses, which offer the King accepts, and promises to be at all the expense, and to settle part of the land for maintenance of the works. Declare the form and manner in which the 120,000 acres shall be set apart for the King, viz., by a tax of 6*s.* 8*d.* per acre on all the lands for the first charges of the works, and also future rates, as they may be ordered; the persons who pay are to be excused from yielding up any land, and their proportions deducted from the 120,000 acres, but the due proportion to be taken from all those who refuse it; a full survey to be made of the lands, by deputies of the King and of the countries, and the tax on lands to be apportioned accordingly; also that 20,000 acres be assigned into the hands of parties incorporated for the purpose, for maintenance of the works, and 10,000 added, if needful, the said parties to see all the works maintained, and be subject to the laws of the Commissions of Sewers; also that the King shall purchase at reasonable rates any land needed for opening new drains, &c., with provisoes for rights of fishing and fowling, &c., &c.

Feb. 21. Whitehall. 116. Order in Council, that the complaints of the captains employed against pirates, about their victuals at sea and delay of wages, be referred to the Commissioners of the Navy, but meanwhile the merchants are charged on their peril to make up their wages to 10*l.* per month, to be paid within fourteen days, to the Treasurer of the Navy.

Feb. 21. Barbican. 117. [Lord Zouch] to Thos. Fulnetby. Directs, that, according to his custom for goods wrecked and reclaimed, one half he reserved for

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himself and the other half given to the savers. Would have them satisfied, lest they be discouraged from saving goods another time.

Feb. 21. Seaford. 118. Thos. Elfick to Lord Zouch. Wreck of a ship of Hamburg on a rock near Seaford; has saved her best anchor and cable for his Lordship.

Feb. 21. Gray's Inn Lane. 119. Sir Wm. Masham to Sir Albert Morton. Being obliged to return home, begs to be excused attendance on the Council. If the contribution is held in his country, is willing to give according to his means.

Feb. 21. 120. [John Nicholas] to Edw. Nicholas. Will do as he wishes, but thinks it would be rash to secure the lady's jointure whilst her portion is unsecured, &c.

Feb. 22. Whitehall. 121. Order in Council, on petition of Katherine, widow of Rich. Bulkeley, that 400*l.* arrears of pension allowed by the late Sir Rich. Bulkeley to his son, and given in trust for her children to Sir Fras. Needham, shall be paid to her, to prosecute the wardship, and defray the charges of her family.

Feb. 22. Licence to Edw. Lord Dudley to melt iron ore, and make the same into cast work or bars, with sea coal or pit coal, for fourteen years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 343.]

Feb. [22]. 122. Petition of Walter, Thos., and Joan Mildmay, orphans of the late Sir Thos. and Lady Mildmay, to the Council, that they will send a pursuivant for Mr. Bradshaw's son, on whom his lands are estated, to show cause why he should not join with his father in payment of the fine decreed by Council, or appear, as bound in 3,000*l.*, to answer to Mr. Turner's action against them. *Annexing,*

122. 1. *Statement of the fallacies in the assertions made by Bradshaw to the Council, relative to the points contested between him and Mr. Turner.*

Feb. 23. Whitehall. 123. The Council to the Lieutenant of the Tower. To permit Mrs. Sadler to have access to her father, Sir Edw. Coke.

Feb. 23. 124. Locke to Carleton. Sir Hen. Savile died on the 19th. Before his death, the King wrote to [Eton] College not to elect a successor till they know his pleasure. Mr. Brent succeeds as Warden of Merton College, and Mr. Murray as Provost [of Eton]. The King is at Royston, and not well. He has ordered an Act of Council to be entered on the Council books for disannulling the protestation made in Parliament.

Feb. 23. 125. Petition of Joachim Sleur and Hendrick Bras, merchants of Hamburg, to Lord Zouch. Their ship, the Angel Rachel, laden with wines, raisins, and oil, from Malaga, was cast away at Seaford; they saved part of the cargo, but it was taken from them by the inhabitants, who, like savage people, took the very clothes from their backs, ransacked the vessel, cut the wine pipes, and carried

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away the wine in buckets. Mr. Elfick, a chief man there, pretending to help them, and buy their wine, was extortionate and fraudulent in his dealings with them. Intreat redress.

Feb. 23. 126. Examination of Wm. Avenon, of Catharine Creed Church, Aldgate, on queries not given, relative to gold purchased by him, which he thinks to be Spanish gold.

Feb. 23? 127. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Sir Anthony Deering refused to give up the wine at Dymchurch, because the manor is his royalty. Official business.

Feb. 23. 128. Inventory of the goods in the Flemish ship [Hunter], arrested at Dover, under suspicion of piracy; with the names of the crew.

Feb. 23. Grant to Dr. Sam. Brooke, King's Chaplain, of dispensation to hold the rectory of St. Margaret's, Lothbury, London, together with the rectory of Hemingford-Abbots, diocese of Lincoln. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 23. Letter to the Lord Treasurer, to relieve from mortgage a pension of 2,500*l.*, of the Marquis of Hamilton, which was mortgaged to raise 5,000*l.* required by the Marquis for His Majesty's service. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 23. Grant to Sarah Howard, widow, of the benefit of a forfeited recognizance of 80*l.* entered into by Wm. Cowdry the younger and his sureties, for appearance at the assizes at Warwick for killing her husband. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 23. Grant to Wm. Dandy, sentenced in the Star Chamber to a fine of 500*l.* and to stand in the pillory, for forging a writ of outlawry, of pardon, so far as regards the pillory and corporal punishment. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 23. Warrant to the Officers of the Exchequer to strike a tally on behalf of the Earl of Bedford, of receipt of 10,000*l.* from him, for certain entails of lands, which 10,000*l.* was by him paid direct to the King, instead of into the Exchequer, and discharge to the said Earl of 600*l.* more, which by contract he was to have paid for the same, and which the King remitted. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 23. Grant, at request of the Prince, to Sir Hen. Compton and others, to the use of the Lady Dudley, wife of Sir Robt. Dudley, of 4,000*l.*, paid to her by the Prince, on her relinquishing her estate and jointure in the manor and park of Killingworth; with declaration that she shall enjoy all her pensions, goods, and chattels, notwithstanding the forfeitures of her husband for contempt, so long as he does not dispose thereof. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 23. Letter to the Vice Provost and Fellows of Eton College, to elect Thos. Murray as Provost. [*Docquet.*]

Feb. 23. Grant to Thos. Murray of dispensation to hold the place of Provost of Eton College. [*Docquet.*]

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Feb. 24? 129. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Thinks it best to make an agreement with the savers of the wine, because they cannot have half the goods until they have been kept a year and a day, during which time the merchants may claim them by their marks.

Feb. 24. Winchelsea. 130. Mayor and Jurats of Winchelsea to the Same. Giles Waters, admitted to their brotherhood by his Lordship's request, has conveyed away his estate, with design to defraud his creditors, who desire leave to sue the Statute of Bankruptcy against him.

Feb. 25. Derby House. 131. Earl of Oxford to Capt. Pennington, of the Victory. To press and take up sufficient seamen, gunners, and "noise of musicians," and to cause them to repair on board the ship Victory, under his command.

Feb. 25. 132. Bond of Dr. Wm. Aubrey, of London, in 60*l.*, to pay to Sir John Lambe, of London, 30*l.*, on May 20.

Feb. 26. 133. John Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. His mistress is troubled that there is likely to be a breach in the match, but she has no friend who can stand security for her portion. A simple fellow is condemned to death for high treason, because he said he would spill his blood for the King whilst he maintained the religion, but, if he failed therein, would be first to cut his throat.

[Feb. 26.] 134. Petition of Geo. Watkins, a poor maimed soldier, to the Council, to command the Deputy Lieutenant and Justices of Leicestershire to pay him his pension of five marks per ann., with arrears, which has been withheld for three years past.

Feb. 27. Lydd. 135. Thos. Godfrey to Lord Zouch. Is summoned before Council, but, as the King's writ is void against a Port's man, without a letter of attendance from Dover Castle, thinks his obedience to this summons, which is not signed by his Lordship, would be a breach of the privileges of the Cinque Ports. Requests directions.

Feb. 27. Dover. 136. Mayor of Dover and others to the Same. Send examinations of the crew of the Dutch ship, Hunter, lately come into Dover. The Captain, Wm. Keaser, has escaped to Calais; Gavin Askew, a very poor man, took him over, and also two apprentices, run away from their masters.

Feb. 27. 137. Wm. Leonard to the Same. Has sold the corn in the Flemish ship for 67*l.* 6*s.* 6*d.*, from which must be deducted the duties and other expenses, and the charges of maintaining the crew. Thinks they would be content to leave the ship, if they had money given for their passage home.

Feb. 28. Hastings. 138. Thos. Fulnetby to the Same. Has been to Seaford, and seized seven pipes of sack, at Mr. Elfick's house, which he professed to have bought from the ship; also searched other houses, and found two cables and anchors, &c.; but thinks the people have concerted with those of the county to have the goods conveyed up into the country.

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Mr. Hide, a minister, and his sons are suspected of secreting 300*l.* of the money; advises the holding of an Admiralty Court thereon. *Incloses,*

138. 1. *List of the persons whose houses have been searched, and of the goods found in them.*

Feb. 28. Westminster. 139. Commission to Sir Robt. Heath, Sir Thos. Wilson, Sir Hen. Spiller, Heneage Finch, and Thos. Sanderson, Justices of the Peace for Middlesex, to suppress and punish the insolences of cooks, victuallers, and others, who keep dogs, and hunt down the King's deer to sell it.

Feb. ? 140. Anna Hayward to her Father. Was molested in Haverford West for refusing to go to church; pleaded being an alien, and therefore not to be troubled for conscience sake, and procured a letter from M. Van Male [Agent of the Archduchess], in proof of it; but that was mocked at. Van Male and the Spanish Ambassador applied to the King, who caused the Council to send her a discharge; but, in spite of this, has been summoned before the Sessions, and, refusing the Oath of Allegiance or Supremacy, is made close prisoner. Intreats a letter from the Archduchess, whose subject she is, to the King, on her behalf, being imprisoned only for conscience sake. Her husband has done what he can for her. *Incloses,*

140. 1. *The Council to the Mayor, &c. of Haverford West. They are to inquire whether Anna Hayward be a denizen of the realm; if so, she may be proceeded against for recusancy, according to law, but, if not, she is by treaty to enjoy as much freedom as English subjects do in the Archduke's countries. Whitehall, March* 21, 1621.

Feb. ? 141. Queries as to whether the King wishes the loan to be required of the clergy for any temporal lands they may have acquired, since they are already paying in a subsidy, and have tenths due at Christmas.

Feb. ? 142. Queries, by Dr. Morrison, on the payment of the benevolence by the clergy; with replies thereto, that it is to be charged at the rate of 3*s.* 10*d.* in the pound, without deduction of tenths, or exception of those paying first fruits, or whose livings are under 6*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* Schoolmasters are also to give something, more or less.

Feb. ? 143. Commission from Lord Zouch to Sir Hen. Mainwaring and the Mayor and Jurats of Rye, to try the French fishermen who have been taken for fishing in the Sowe without licence, and with unlawful nets; and, if guilty, to fine them according to law, his lordship being too infirm to come down to hear the matter himself. Indorsed [by Nicholas], "Ten French crowns the master of each boate, two crowns French every servant in the botes."

Feb. 144. Agreement between the Commissioners of the Navy and Wm. Burrell, by which he engages to build during the year two new ships of war, each of 650 tons, at 8*l.* per ton.

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[Feb.] 146. Copy of the above.

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March 1. Barbican. 1. [Edw. Nicholas to Jane Jaye.] Urges her to postpone her decision until some further attempt has been made to accommodate matters.

March 1. Barbican. 2. [The Same to Wm. Hunton.] Does not think his father intends to break off the match. Has been scandalized to his mistress.

March 1. Barbican. 3. [The Same to John Nicholas.] Begs him to allow the lady 100*l.* present maintenance and her jointure; is confident the remainder of her portion will be paid in due time.

[March 1.] 4. [The Same to Matt. Nicholas.] Is in great trouble about his love affair.

March 2. 5. Merchants' Committee for the Expedition against Pirates to the Council. Cannot pay the captains as ordered, until the French and Muscovy Companies and Trinity House pay up their quotas of the contribution. The Custom House refuses to receive the security of the masters and pursers of the ships Mercury and Spy, now ready to sail, not to sell away the ordnance bought for them, and therefore it cannot be put on board, as parties on shore will not be bound for what remains at the disposal of others.

March 2. 6. John Elliott, goldsmith, to [Nicholas]. Wm. Rose, a pedlar at Canterbury, who was at the fair where Elliott lost some of his goods, offered part of them for sale at Sandwich, and was taken up. Begs a letter from Lord [Zouch], that Rose may be thoroughly examined, hoping thereby to recover the rest of his property.

March 2. 7. Certificate [by Edm. Lord Sheffield] that during his presidency in the North, the patent of John Lepton for writing letters and processes in that court was examined, and that it was found only admissible after the death of the Secretaries, Sir John Ferne and Sir Wm. Gee; that Lepton compounded with them for the execution of part of the office, and at the earnest request of the attorneys who before drew out the writs, permitted them to act as his deputies.

March 2. 8. Note of indulgences granted by Pope Gregory to the owners of fifteen beads, rosaries, pictures, crosses, and medals, blessed at the instance of the procurators in the canonization of Saints Isidore,

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Ignatius, Xavier, Teresa, and Philip Nerius. With note of similar indulgences granted by Leo X. to medals of the conception of the Virgin. Indorsed, "Indulgences found in the New Prison."

March 2. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Kemp of pardon of burning in the hand, and all forfeitures incurred for killing Thos. Harris, of Sudbury, Suffolk; granted at suit of Sir Dud. Diggs, to whom he is nearly allied by marriage. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 11.]

March 2. 9. Locke to Carleton. Mr. Brent is not likely to obtain the Provostship of Merton College, the Prince interceding for Sir Isaac Wake. Mr. Murray has got a Privy Seal for the Provostship [of Eton], but the Lord Keeper hesitates to admit him, pretending a right to the appointment, as Bp. of Lincoln. Quarrel between the Lord Treasurer and Lord Digby; the latter requested assurance for payment of his allowance, and not being satisfied, reproached the Treasurer as an insolent merchant; he retorted on him that he was the third son of a younger brother, in a treason-tainted house, but they are made friends again. The King is at Theobalds. The Bp. of Spalato would be gone if he could. The contribution goes on slowly, not 30,000*l.* being subscribed yet.

March 3. Westminster. Warrant to pay 1,000*l.* to Wm. Carr, of the Bedchamber, appointed to repair into Scotland for special service. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 13.]

March 3. Dover. 10. Mayor of Dover and others to Lord Zouch. Send the examinations of two persons touching the shipping away of the master if the Dutch vessel. Were careful in the previous examinations not to allow those examined to confer with the unexamined, so as to agree upon their tales. *Inclose,*

10. I. *Examination of John Hargraves, of Dover, servant of Jasper Fowler, Searcher. Wm. Keaser, Master of the Dutch ship, went away, without licence, on board the boat of Gavin Askew, of Dover, who said he would bring him back. Saw nothing of two boys in the company. Feb.* 27.

10. II. *Examination of John Spake, of Dover. Knew of Keaser's sailing, and was left in charge of his vessel, with orders to sell the corn. He said he would get a fuller certificate from the owners of the ship, and return in eight or ten days. Feb.* 27.

March 3. 11. Bond of Sir Rich. Gravenor, of Eaton, Cheshire, in 400*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for surrender to him as owner of the rescued portion of the cargo of a vessel laden with lead, wrecked near Sandwich, after defalcation of droits and royalties, and of composition for the savers.

March 4. Hague. 12. Elizabeth Queen of Bohemia to the Archbp. of Canterbury and others [Governors of Sutton's Hospital]. To favour two of her eldest servants, who desire to obtain admissions to Sutton's Hospital.

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March 5. 13. Wm. Hunton to [Edw. Nicholas]. His father's commendations of the lady will not suffice, unless, taking her portion with all its uncertainties, he will settle on her all she demands.

March 5. Winterbourne. 14. Matt. Nicholas to [the Same]. Their father will assure the lady 100*l.* per ann., and the parsonage for jointure, for the 600*l.* of the portion now in hand, and increase it on receipt of the rest.

March 5. 15. John Nicholas to the Same. Thinks that his offers will be accepted, and the suit will proceed.

March 5. 16. Locke to Carleton. The King is at Theobalds. The Ambassador of the States went to Court yesterday. The levy of money does not answer expectations, and it is thought a Parliament must be had, but the King is exceedingly disgusted with the protestation.

[March 5.] 17. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. A compromise is proposed about the jointure. Hopes his father will accept it; urges him to come over.

March 6. 18. Names of thirty-eight persons resident in London, who are to be sent for to Council for the contributions, with the sums at which they are assessed; also names of twenty-four others who refuse to contribute, and are to be sent for, with the reasons given by several of them.

March 6? 19. Edw. Barkham, Lord Mayor of London, to [the Council]. Finds that Mary Overton, whom he had returned as refusing to contribute, was involved by bad debts.

March 6. Assizes at Oxford. 20. Justices of Oxfordshire to the Same. The reason of the clothiers of the county suddenly dismissing so many workmen is the lack of sale of their cloths; they will employ them at once if the cloth now on their hands may be taken off.

March 7. Plymouth. 21. Sir Robt. Gorges to Sec. Calvert. The King of France has fifty or sixty ships ready to sail against the Rochellers; requests instructions how to act in case the ships should put into Plymouth. Thinks the town should be strengthened by bringing in some of the trained bands.

March 7. Hythe. 22. Mayor and Jurats of Hythe to [Lord Zouch]. According to his order for apprehension of strangers destroying the fry of fish with trawling nets, sent to remonstrate with some fishermen of Rochester and Stroud, who were trawling on the coast, but they resisted interference, said they would continue to trawl, and would answer any accusations at London. The town is ruined by such proceedings.

March 7. 23. Edw. Nicholas to John Nicholas. Will come down on his love affair. The Spanish match is reported to be postponed for a year. Lord Chichester is to go into the Palatinate with 8,000 foot and 1,600 horse, which will cost 250,000*l.*; only such English as volunteer are to go, the rest to be raised abroad. A hollow reconciliation is

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made between the Lord Treasurer and Lord Digby. The King has the gout in his right shoulder. The Lord Keeper said to be weary of his place, finding it more charge than benefit.

March 7. Ordnance Office. 24. Schedule [by the Officers of Ordnance], of emptions to be provided for furnishing Upnor Castle, for the two forts at Gravesend and Tilbury, and for the ship, Adventure. Total cost 388*l.* 4*s.* 4*d.*

March 7. Westminster. Grant to John Barker of Grimston Hall in Trimley, co. Suffolk, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 15.]

March 7. Westminster. Grant to the Same, of discharge of the fees of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 16.]

March 8. Westminster. Grant to Sir Hen. Moody, of Garsdon, co. Wilts., of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 17.]

March 8. Westminster. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 18.]

March 8. Westminster. Warrant for continuation of payment of 69*l.* 19*s.* 2*d.* per ann. to Sir Geo. Trenchard and Sir Wm. Bamfield, Captains of Sandsfoot Castle, co. Dorset, for the wages of a Porter and six Gunners, in addition to the 45*l.* 12*s.* 6*d.*, allowed to the captains by patent. [*Ibid., No.* 19.]

March 8. 25—39. Fifteen lists, signed by Council, of nobility, gentry, merchants, and others, contributing to the benevolence for the relief of the Palatinate, with the sums paid by each person, from Jan. 15 to March 8, 1622.

March 9. 40. Locke to Carleton. The Ambassadors from the States were at Theobalds on the 4th, but had no audience of the King, who is unwell; it is thought that they will not long remain. An earthquake has shaken many houses in the north, &c.

March 9. London. 41. Chamberlain to the Same. The King wrote to Eton on the death of Sir Hen. Savile, for Thos. Murray to be elected Provost. The Fellows of Merton College chose Mr. Brent. The Archbp. of Canterbury stays the appointment until the Prince's pleasure be known, he having written in favour of Sir Isaac Wake. The King continues at Theobalds, on account of a defluxion, first in his arm and now into his leg. The States' Ambassadors were feasted by Sir Edw. Cecil. Sir Wm. Jones, Sir Dudley Diggs, and others, Commissioners for Ireland, are about to set out. Sends bitter verses written by Lord Denney upon Lady Mary Wroth, because, in her Urania, she traduces him and his daughter, Lady Mary Hay.

March 9. Dover. 42. Will. Leonard to Lord Zouch. All the company of the Flemish ship are discharged, and 10*l.* 7*s.* paid them for their passage. Particulars concerning the contents of the ship; some ordnance has been stolen from it.

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March 10. Westminster. Grant to the Master, &c. of Clare Hall, Cambridge, of licence to purchase lands in mortmain to the value of 300*l.* a year. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 22.]

March 10. Westminster. Grant to Sir Thos. Metcalf and Dame Elizabeth, his wife, of Nappa, co. York, and to Ferdinand Huddleston, of Millom Castle, and Nich. Curwin, of the Holme, both co. Cumberland, and others, of certain recognizances of 500*l.* each, forfeited by non-appearance of Metcalf in the Star Chamber; also of all fines in the Star Chamber, forfeiture of lands, &c., on account of the above recognizances, &c. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 23.]

March 10. Deal Castle. 43. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Sir Geo. Newman will hold an Admiralty Court at Seaford, if some of the ship's company will go to him at Canterbury, and relate their wrongs. Lord Falkland's man declared at his court at Minster, in Thanet, that his lord had a right to all wrecks and royalties at Margate, Broadstairs, and Ramsgate; also to an aid for the marriage of his daughter, &c. Official business.

March 11. 44. [The Council to the Merchants' Committee for the Expedition against Pirates]. Require them to satisfy Thos. Westerdale, Master of the Goodwill, sent with provisions to Algiers, for the half of his charge, which the merchants agreed to pay, the service being dishonoured by the clamour of poor men crying out for money.

March 11. Hereford. 45. Mayor and Aldermen of Hereford to the Earl of Pembroke, High Steward of Hereford. Complain that certain factious persons of their city obstinately deny payment of their proportion of the expenses of suing forth the last charter of the corporation, by which denial two thirds of the sum remain unpaid. Request his lordship to summon them before him.

March 11. 46. List of twenty-seven French and Dutch residents, who use the cutler's trade in and near London and Westminster.

March ? 47. Another list of alien cutlers, with notes of their residences, and other particulars; also that they are summoned for Monday morning next [before the Alien Commissioners].

March 11. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Benj. Henshaw, of London, silkman, 30,076*l.* 10*s.* 4½*d.*, balance due for wares furnished to the King and Queen, from 1616 to 1618. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 24.]

March 12. Westminster. Warrant to discharge Lord Digby of 6,000*l.* received by him upon account, in addition to 13,000*l.*, and 7,000*l.* for an Extraordinary Embassage to the Emperor. [*Ibid., No.* 25.]

March 12. Westminster. Grant to John Packer of annuity of 115*l.* from the Court of Wards, on surrender of a like annuity from the Exchequer. [*Ibid., No.* 26.]

March 12. Westminster. Grant to Sir Wm. Button, of Alton, co. Wilts, of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 28.]

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March 12. Westminster. Grant to Chas. Hugeband and six others, foreigners, of denization. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 29.]

March 12. Westminster. Grant to John Cole of confirmation of his possession of the rectory of Michel-Marsh, co. Hants, to which he was presented by the King. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 30.]

March 12. Westminster. Commission to the Earl of Northampton to become Lieutenant of the County of Gloucester, in place of Lord Chandos, lately deceased. [*Ibid., No.* 31.]

March 13. Langley Castle. 48. John Dudley to John Murray, of the Bedchamber. Opposition of the tenants at Langley, particularly Edw. Henderson, to pay their rents. They pleaded that in the proclamation for dissolving Parliament, the King has made their former customs good, and therefore raised the hue and cry, and assaulted those who were sent to distrain for the rents. *Inclose,*

48. I. *Affidavit by Sir Edw. Salter, that on a distraint made on the goods of Edw. Henderson, of Pagecroft, hue and cry was raised, and the goods were forcibly rescued, Henderson declaring that by the King's proclamation, the tenants need pay none but the ancient rents. March* 13.

March 13. Gloucester. 49. Sir Hum. Winch and Sir Wm. Jones, Justices of Assize, to the Council. Have called before them the clothiers of Gloucestershire, and ordered them to prevent mutinies by employing the workpeople a month longer; they will only consent to a fortnight, for they cannot continue their trade without sale of their cloths. *Inclose,*

49. I. *Statements of the clothiers of Gloucestershire and Gloucester to the Council, that they are so reduced by decay of trade as to be quite unable to employ their work people; that there are* 1,500 *looms in the county, each employing sixteen workpeople, who receive little more than* 1*s. a week each, which is much too little; that the Merchant Adventurers cause the decay of clothing, by confining the export of cloth to themselves, raising its price by heavy impositions, buying it only twice a year, and in limited quantities, &c.*

March 13. Gloucester. 50. Justices of Peace of Gloucestershire to the Council. The clothiers protest their inability longer to maintain their workmen, much of their cloth being unsold, or in pawn. The people begin to steal, and many are starving; all trades are decayed, money very scarce, the whole county impoverished and unable to maintain their poor, by public stock, or any means except by their own trades; entreat the unrestrained buying of cloth, that the clothiers may be able to continue their trade, and much misery be prevented.

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March 13? 51. Statement [by the clothiers of Oxfordshire], that they cannot now, as formerly, sell their cloth, the trade being in the hands of a small company; that secret export of wool encourages cloth-making abroad, and that the foreign merchants cannot afford to buy it at higher prices than it is made at abroad; that the great impositions on cloth in England hinder the sale, &c.

March 13. Westminster. Grant to William ap Ellis, of Glynlligwy, co. Carnarvon, of pardon for child murder five years before, which was not sufficiently proved. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 32.]

March 14. Westminster. Demise to Thos. Arundel, for fifty years, on rent of 5*l.* per ann., of an island called the Bass, north by west from Ireland, in lat. 57° — 58°, not yet inhabited by any Christian, on condition of his not carrying over persons prohibited by Council or refusing the Oath of Allegiance, and giving security that none of his company shall rob or spoil; with proviso of increase of rent, if advisable. [*Ibid., No.* 33.]

March 14. Westminster. Grant to Sir Wm. Button, of Alton, co. Wilts, Knight, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 34.]

March 15. The Court. 52. The Council to Lord Zouch. Request him, before May 1, to pay in 16*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, the second payment of the second entire subsidy due by him, to Walter James, collector, at Westminster College.

[March 15.] 53. Petition of Wm. Clarke, Post of Daventry, to Sec. Calvert, to cause a petition which he has preferred to Council to be read at the Board.

March 15. Southwark. 54. Justices of Surrey to the Council. Have examined the charges made by Timothy Pinckney against Robt. Blinckerne, and think they may proceed from malice, Blinckerne having often appeared as a witness in behalf of Sir John Kennedy, between whom and Pinckney there have been angry quarrels. *Inclose,*

54. I. *Examination of Thos. Pinckney, of Barn-Elms, and others. Some time ago Robt. Blinckerne railed against the King as an unjust usurper, and said he would be avenged on him for not doing justice to Sir John Kennedy, but he was in drink at the time; lately, in a quarrel with Pinckney about the right to certain corn, he said he would keep it, in despite of Pinckney or the King.* **March 13.**

54. II. *Examination of Robt. Blinckerne. Had a quarrel some time ago with Pinckney about the right to certain hay; is told that when put into the stocks, and in drink, he uttered speeches disloyal to the King, but does not remember them; was imprisoned for them, but dismissed by order of Council, and has never repeated the offence.* **March 15.**

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March 16. Westminster. Grant to the Prince of Wales of fee-farm rents of 111*l.* 3*s.* 0½*d.*, to be reserved upon a grant to the Lord Treasurer, of the manor and park of Altofts, and the manor of Warnefield, co. York, and of a certain increase of rent, on expiration of a lease to the Keeper of the park. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 36.]

March 16. Westminster. Grant to John Gage, of Firle, co. Sussex, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 37.]

March 16. Westminster. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 38.]

March 17. Westminster. Commission to the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, and others, to compound with persons holding Crown lands under defective titles, and appointing Robt. Typper to attend the Commissioners; with some differences from former commissions, for better execution of the service. [*Ibid., No.* 40.]

March 17. Westminster Grant to Geo. Ward, on surrender of Sir Robt. Dolman, of the offices of Receiver and Steward of the lands some time in possession of the Earl and Countess of Lenox, in Yorkshire, he giving sureties for faithfulness in his accounts. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 41.]

March. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, March* 28.]

March 17. Westminster. Commission to the Lord Treasurer, Lord Steward, Treasurer and Comptroller of the Household, and Master of the Horse, to make compositions with justices of the peace in any county, for converting the provisions for the household and cart-takings into a yearly payment in money. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 42.]

March 17. Grange. 55. Justices of Sussex to the Council. Find no great store of corn in the county, much having been sold away when the prices rose at the end of last summer, and much this year. The corn on the ground is thinner than usual. Have not made exact surveys of the quantities in the farmers' hands, finding that such surveys lead to a rise in the price.

March 17. Deal Castle. 56. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. The vintners of Canterbury are discouraged from buying the wrecked wines, by threats of Withernam, and by reports that one Hugessen has a procuration for them. Jas. Hugessen offers to buy them, but expects to have them at a very low rate. Thinks they had better be taken to London to be sold.

March 18. Whitehall. 57. The Council to the Same. To aid the Farmers of Customs to levy the customs on foreign goods from Calais and Flanders, which, instead of being landed in England as formerly, and re-shipped for foreign parts in English shipping, in order to avoid pirates and the embargo on trade, are now laden into English ships in the Downs, bound for Spain, and the goods of English ships homeward-bound unladen, and re-transported by them, without payment of custom, to the great loss of the Farmers of Customs.

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March 18. South Lambeth. 58. Sir Noel de Caron to Lord Zouch. Requests that the Dutch ship Yager or Hunter, detained at Dover, may be released, the magistrates of Middleburgh having sent over the owner, with a copy of the Captain's commission, to request his interference in its behalf.

March 19. 59. Locke to Carleton. The King, speaking of the reports abroad, said he was King of the most lying nation in the world, for they had reported he was married to Sir John Crofts' daughter, that he had beaten his son, and put away his Lord Keeper. Wishes the last report may not prove true, seeing that the Lord President [Mandeville] has a good purse and a fine marriageable son. The Bp. of Spalato wishes to return to Italy. The States' Commissioners have had audience with the King and Council, and it is hoped their business will prosper.

March 19. 60. Report addressed to Sir Robt. Heath by the Master and Wardens of the Company of Joiners, Cielers, and Carvers of London, of all the aliens dwelling in the city and borough who exercise the above trades, to their detriment. *Inclosing*

60. I. *List of joiners, aliens, with notes of their residences, and other particulars. Indorsed, "Monday in the afternoon."*

March 20. Derby House. 61. Earl of Oxford to Capt. John Pennington. Warrants him to press Thos. Tomlinson, surgeon, to serve in the ship Victory, now at Plymouth, and to go on board at once.

March 20. Savoy House. 62. Archbp. of Spalato to Sec. Calvert. Requests from His Majesty honourable letters patent in ample form, for the free passage of himself, servants, and baggage. Latin.

March 20. 63. John Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Will perform what he promised, and will draw up articles of agreement, but must request him to provide for his sisters, in case of his own death before they are disposed of.

March 21. Whitehall. 64. Statement, that, at the Council Board, the States' Ambassadors promised that the impost on English cloth exported into the Low Countries, which was complained of, should cease about the end of July next.

March 22. Bury. 65. Justices of [Suffolk] to the Council. Have questioned the gentlemen and farmers who flock to the assizes about the quantities of corn, and find that there is little to spare for other counties, being themselves often supplied from Norfolk and Cambridgeshire. Have not made an exact survey of the granaries, &c., as that would raise the price, which is already somewhat high.

March 22. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Sigismund and Hen. Zinzan, alias Alexander, 100*l.*, for their expenses in running, by the King's command, at the tilt held on March 24. [*Sign Man., vol.* XII., *No.* 43.]

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March 23. Westminster. Grant to Marmaduke Lloyd, of the place of Second Justice in the circuits of Chester, Flint, Denbigh, and Montgomery, in place of Sir Hen. Townshend, deceased. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 44.]

March 23. 66. Locke to Carleton. The Chancellor of the Exchequer says he will do his best that Carleton may be paid. The Bp. of Spalato has resigned the Mastership of the Savoy to Balconquall. Lords Doncaster and Chichester are appointed to set out next week. Sir Rich. Weston, with Mr. Dickinson as Secretary, is to go to Brussels, &c.

March 23. Bury. 67. Justices of Suffolk to the Council. The clothiers are willing to re-employ their workmen, but are unable, having spent most of their estates in making cloth, which lies on their hands. In twenty towns out of 200 in the county, there is cloth on hand worth 39,282*l.*, and in twelve towns only the clothiers have lost 30,415*l.* by bankruptcies. They think the causes of decay of their trade are the incorporation of merchants into companies, which prevents the free buying and selling of cloth; the export of wool, fullers' earth, &c., which promotes its manufacture abroad, and the new impositions laid on it. Will do their best to relieve the industrious poor.

March 25. Lambeth. 68. Sir Geo. Paul to Buckingham. Sends extracts from statutes, laws, histories, &c., to prove that the benevolence cannot go on well without a Parliament; knows by the condition of his own county, that if commissions for it are sent into the country, it will be wrung "from the very teares of the subjecte," and cause general discontent. Suggests that a tax of a 1*d.* or 2*d.* in the shilling on necessary commodities is likely to be much more cheerfully paid; advises that if this proposition is accepted, the pardons be stayed, and Sir Robt. Phelips liberated, unless something heinous is laid to his charge.

March 25. 69. List of payments made from the Exchequer to Sir L. C. [Lionel Cranfield], Master of the Wardrobe, since Oct. 19, 1618.

March 25. Westminster. Grant to John Basnett, Footman in Ordinary, of the forfeited recognizances in which John Creed, of Tetbury, and Rich. Creed, sen., of Cuckerton, both co. Gloucester, stood bound for their good behaviour, and which they have forfeited. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 45.]

March 26. Westminster. Grant to Dr. Walter Balconquall of confirmation of his election to the Mastership of the Savoy, void by resignation of the Archbp. of Spalato. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 46.]

March 26. Westminster. Grant to Rich. Sherborne and Ellen Grigson, of Lancashire, of pardon, for adultery. [*Ibid., No.* 47.]

March 26. 70. Statement of the King's pleasure declared to Council, that the Prince, having often been present at Council, shall now, for his better experience in matters of State, become a member of the Board, and that an Act be entered on the register accordingly. [*No such Act appears on the register, but on March* 29, *and frequently afterwards, the Prince's name appears as present at Council.*]

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March 26. Lambeth. 71. Examination of Sibyl, wife of John Bruffe, of St. Mary Overy's. Heard Mr. Canon, a priest, now in prison in the Clink, say, on occasion of the whipping of the apprentices, that the King and people of England were all base in comparison with the King and people of Spain; she and her mistress reproved him for it. Never reported it to a magistrate, but told it privately.

March 26. Lambeth. 72. Examination of Edm. Canon, priest, prisoner in the Clink. Denies making the above speeches; is accused of them out of malice, because when the woman came home drunk, he several times told her mistress of it.

March 26. 73. Note by John Mackreth, Keeper of the Gloucester, Worcester, Reading, Somersetshire, and Suffolk Halls, in Blackwell Hall, of the quantities of cloth belonging thereto which remain unsold, and the names of the owners. Total, 433 pieces.

March 26. 74. Similar note by Wm. Cooling, of the Manchester Hall, of the friezes, cottons and baize, remaining unsold; total, 853 pieces, besides many in the country that are not sent up for want of a market. Also note of packs of kerseys, fustians, &c., belonging to the Hampshire Hall, not unpacked.

March 26. 75. Similar note by Robt. Hamond, Clerk of the Storehouse for Gloucestershire, Worcestershire, Kent, Somersetshire, &c., of cloths belonging to clothiers named, chiefly in Kent, remaining unsold. Total, 1,163 pieces.

March 26. 76. Similar note by Stephen Davy, Keeper of the Wiltshire Hall, of 207 Oxfordshire, and 323 Wiltshire cloths, still unsold.

March 26. 77. Similar note by Wm. Northage, of cloth unsold in the Northern Hall. Total, 5,159 pieces.

March 26. Grant to John Puckle, late Customer at Chichester, and Wm. Peake, of pardon for the unlawful transportation of prohibited merchandises, and of all other offences committed in the exercise of their office of Customer. [*Docquet.*]

March 26. Letter to the President and Council of the North, to stay proceedings in a cause concerning the fees of the Secretary's place there, until the Secretary returns to defend his rights. [*Docquet.*]

March 27. Lambeth. 78. Examination of Uria Davison, wife to the Keeper of the Clink. Never heard Mr. Canon speak of the King as base in comparison of the King of Spain. Sibyl Bruffe bears Canon malice for reproving her for drinking and swearing, and has often threatened to do him mischief.

March 27. Lambeth. 79. Examination of Chris. Thewles, priest, prisoner in the Clink. Never heard Mr. Canon speak such words; Sibyl Bruffe hates him for finding fault with her cookery and her often swearing.

March 27. 80. Certificate by Wm. Morris, Clerk of Leadenhall, of the cloths from Suffolk and Essex remaining there unsold, with the names of the owners. Total, 3,057 pieces.

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March 27. 81. Certificate addressed by the Lord Mayor to the Council, that Thos. Hicks, of Bishopsgate ward, who formerly refused to contribute, now submits to pay 8*l.*, which is thought reasonable, and that he may be dismissed further attendance.

March 27. 82, 83. Similar certificates for Wm. Robinson and Dan. Gossedge, who pay 10*l.* each. Two papers.

March 27. 84. Similar certificate for Thos. Burton, of Broad Street ward, who pays 10*l.*

March 27. 85. Commissioners of the Navy to the Lord Admiral. Think it reasonable that Capt. Squibb should receive pay as a captain, and have treated with the merchants to pay one half, but they refuse.

March 27. 86—90. Memoranda of receipts by Wm. Boswell, of contributions from the clergy of the diocese of Peterborough, towards the King's benevolence and the Bishop's benevolence. March 10, 14, 15, 22, and 27. Five papers.

March 27. 91. Note of the Bp. of Lincoln's benovolence, paid by Dr. J. Lambe and Messrs. Clark, Palmer, and Harris, inclusive of the sums paid to Mr. Boswell. Total, 57*l.* 1*s.* 7*d.*, and of 3*l.* 7*s.* still unpaid.

March 27. Westminster. Warrant to Sir Hum. May, Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, and to the Receiver there, to pay 3,000*l.* to the King's own hands, or to such as he shall appoint, for important service. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 48.]

March. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, March* 28.]

March 27. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Jas. Maxwell 3,000*l.*, disbursed by him for important service, by the King's direction. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 49.]

March. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, March* 28.]

March 27. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Forester of the goods and chattels of John Allen, forfeited for felony, and of a recognizance of 100*l.* wherein his father John Allen, of Abingdon, co. Berks, was bound for his good behaviour. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 50.]

March 27. Westminster. Warrant to pay to John Murray, Keeper of the Privy Seal, 250*l.*, to be employed by the King's direction. [*Ibid., No.* 51.]

March 28. Docquet of the above.

March 28. 92. Merchant Commissioners for the pirate expedition to the Council. The merchants agreed to pay the charges of the ship Goodwill, understanding that it was to be a hospital ship for the fleet, but it went out laden with provisions for the King's fleet only, took no sick on board but those from the King's fleet, and on its return, was laden with oils, &c. taken from the pirates, of which the merchants, who should have had half, have received nothing. They cannot, therefore, in justice, pay half the expenses of the ship. Suggest their payment from sale of the oils, &c.

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March 28. 93. Affidavit of Robt. Dalston, that on March 13, he distrained on behalf of John Murray, Lord of the Barony of Langley, the goods of Edw. Henderson, of Pagecroft, co. Northumberland, that the goods were rescued, and he beaten by Henderson and other tenants.

March 29. 94. Sir John Wolstenholme, Sir Nich. Fortescue, and others, to Sir Clement Edmondes. State the various prices paid for different ordnance. Think the East India Company should give 9*l.* per ton for all above demi-culverins, and 10*l.* per ton for all under.

March 29. 95. List of Devonshire kerseys remaining unsold; total 423 pieces.

March 29. Westminster. Grant to Sir Edw. Powell, Bart., on surrender of Sir John Suckling, of the office of Master of Requests. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 55.]

March 29. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 5,000*l.* to be sent to the Princess Elizabeth, Electress Palatine, now resident in the Low Countries, out of the moneys subscribed for defence of the Palatinate. [*Ibid., No.* 56.]

March 30. Westminster. Warrant to pay to David Ramsay, clockmaker, 113*l.*, for work for the late Prince Henry, and for watches and clocks for the King. [*Ibid., No.* 57.]

March 30. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Earl of Kelly, and his heirs, of manors, &c. entailed on Lord Norris, Earl of Berkshire, and his heirs male, he having lately deceased without heirs male, and the reversion thereof having been granted to Kelly when Visct. Fenton. [*See Sign Man., March* 8, 1616. *Ibid., No.* 58].

March 30. Westminster. Grant to Dr. Wm. Laud, Bp. of St. David's, of a commendam to hold the Rectory of Ibstock, diocese of Lincoln, the prebend of Westminster, and the prebend of Llanbister belonging to the Collegiate Church of Brecknock; also to hold any other living with the aforesaid, or to change any of his livings, the prebend of Llanbister being granted in lieu of the Presidentship of St. John's College in Oxford, relinquished by him. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 59.]

March 30. London. 96. Chamberlain to Carleton. Thinks Barclay's "Argenis" the most delightful fable he ever met with. The King thinks the "Cancellaria Hispannica" partly counterfeit. It is much in request. The tilting for the Coronation postponed on account of bad weather. The States' Commissioners have been several times with the Council, and the [Dutch] East India ship has been restored. Divers alarms are on foot relative to a great Armada preparing in Spain against England, and musters, &c. are ordered, but it is more probably against Ireland, where the Earl of Argyle's Redshanks have arrived in great numbers. Sir Dudley Diggs and his fellow commissioners have departed thither. Unless they mend matters, a scourge is to be feared from thence, owing to the little care that has been taken to bring the Irish to civility and religion. The Earl of Argyle had leave to raise 4,000 English and Scots to serve Spain, but though he could get regiments

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of captains, he finds few private soldiers. Sir Peter Hayman and others who resisted the benevolence, are to attend Lord Chichester to Germany. Many ladies were invited to see the ceremony of whipping at the Spanish Ambassador's on Good Friday. Mr. Wray is put out of the Bedchamber for marrying the Earl of Berkshire's daughter, who was intended for Kit Villiers; the lady was very cunning and resolute, more in order to be rid of the one than from love of the other. The late Chancellor has published the life of Henry VII.; if all our history were like it, we need not envy other nations. Buckingham has a daughter, who is sickly; the King stands godfather; it is called Jacobina. Quarrel between the Lord Chamberlain and Treasurer, about money for fetching from Dover the Emperor's Ambassador, who is to be lodged at Denmark House. Old Sir Geo. Buck, Master of the Revels, has gone mad. The Archbp. of Spalato is summoned before the Archbp. of Canterbury and others; it is said that when the Spanish Ambassador had brought him to his wishes, he told him that now he was unmasked, he might choose whether to starve here or to go over and be burnt, for he would have no more to do with him.

March 30. 97. Locke to Carleton. The Bishop of Spalato has resigned the Deanery of Windsor, and Dr. Beaumont is made Dean. The Prince, by the King's command, admitted a member of the Council. New letters for a contribution have been issued to all counties and corporate towns. Thompson, a Scot, who has served the King of Spain three years, reports that the Armada in Spain is intended for England, Ireland, or Scotland. The King spoke to the Spanish Ambassador about it, and then sent Thompson to the Marshalsea. Sir John Suckling made a Councillor and Secretary of State. A Dutch East Indiaman, worth 100,000*l.*, was captured by Sir Hen. Mervin, for not striking sail; the States' Ambassadors request she may be restored, which is complied with. The Marchioness of Buckingham brought to bed of a daughter; during her illness, the King prayed heartily for her, and was at Wallingford House, early and late, to inquire after her. The Earl of Berkshire's daughter, who was kept at the Earl of Montgomery's, got out of the house early, walked three miles on foot, and was then met and taken to Aldermary Church, where she married Mr. Wray, of the Bedchamber; they thence went to the Earl of Oxford's house in Fleet Street, he being in the plot. Lord Montgomery sent to fetch her away, but Oxford would not give her up. His commission is taken from him, and Wray is put out of the Bedchamber. *Incloses,*

97. I. *The King's order for admission of the Prince to the Council. March* 26. [*See March* 26.]

March 30. Worcester. 98. Justices of Worcestershire to the Council. There are few clothiers in the county, except those belonging to the city of Worcester, which, by its late charter, is exempt from county jurisdiction. There are no disturbances in the county or city for want of work; will suppress such if they should arise.

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March 30 99. Certificate by Thos. Covell and others, that they sell round shot of iron at 11*l.* per ton.

March 31. Westminster. 100. The King to the Council. To order release of John Collington, priest, prisoner in the New Prison, granted at the instance of the Earl of Gondomar, in whose house he is to live, on promise to give no scandal to any, he being old and infirm.

March 31. Whitehall. 101. [The Council to the High Sheriffs and Justices of Peace of counties, and Mayors and Bailiffs of all corporate cities and towns in England and Wales]. The King having failed by treaty to recover his children's patrimony, and not receiving the expected supplies from Parliament, is compelled to seek a voluntary contribution. They are requested to follow the good example of those who have contributed, and to summon all knights, gentlemen, and subsidy men in their jurisdiction to do the same, calling them not many together, but one by one, and choosing efficient collectors.

March 31. 102. Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London to the Council. Request permission to exercise the train bands, as usual, on April 11. A cargo of corn has been brought into the port by —— Stone, who says it is chartered for Spain. Have refused to allow it to be carried away, there being scarcity of corn in the City; ask directions.

March ? 103. Account of proceedings in the case of the Archbp. of Spalato. The King at first disbelieved the rumours of his intended return to Rome, till he himself wrote to request his dismissal, whereon the Bps. of London and Durham and Dean of Winchester, by the King's order, went to him, Jan. 21, and accused him of holding intercourse with the Pope, which he concealed from his Majesty. He denied any direct intercourse, and said it was only done through his friends, who talked of his return to Rome; that he hoped to promote the good of England by persuading the Pope to allow of the Oath of Allegiance; also that he thought, as both Churches agreed on fundamentals, a reconciliation might be effected, but had never received from his Majesty the slightest encouragement to attempt such a thing. In interviews with the Dean of Winchester, Jan. 22 and 31, he said he desired the union of the two religions by mutual yielding; gave his opinion on transubstantiation, the worship of the Virgin, &c.; said he had a living worth 3,000*l.* a year offered on his return to Italy, and wished to go when he received the Pope's brief, but must first kiss the King's hand; from this he was dissuaded, lest it should strengthen the rumour of his being the King's agent at Rome; he also resigned his English livings. The King sent him a list of queries relating to his opinions on the union of the two Churches, and the reconciliation he was reported to profess to negociate between his Majesty and Rome, to which he wrote replies. His Majesty, not being satisfied therewith, sent fresh interrogatories, particularly referring to the doctrines put forth by the Archbishop in his works on schism, &c., to which he also sent replies, but that on schism not being satisfactory, Dr. Goade was sent to him, Feb. 19,

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for explanation. He equivocated, and referred to his seventh book, now printing at Frankfort, for his real opinion, but refused to speak of his present opinions, lest if the Pope heard of his assent to tenets against the Papacy after embracing his offer to return, it might injure him. To other queries he replied in letters to the Dean of Winchester, and also acknowledged the validity of his own printed books. The Archbp. of Canterbury and other Commissioners then waited on him, March 30, obtained his acknowledgment of certain of his own writings, and censured him for returning to a church which he had called Babylon. He said that Gregory XV. was a good man, and many things were now reformed, but he would always protest the Church of England to be orthodox in fundamentals. They then told him that the King did not grant him leave to depart, but ordered him to be gone from the realm in twenty days, never to return at his peril. *Inserting,*

103. I. *Archbp. of Spalato to the King. Has resisted frequent importunities of Popes Paul V. and Gregory XV. to return to Rome, but now the latter presses him to return, on the ground of his zeal for the unity of the Christian Church, and, finding a cold climate injurious to his old age, wishes to comply. Thanks for His Majesty's favours; will be a herald and trumpeter of his praises wherever he goes. Savoy, Jan.* 16, 1622. *Latin.*

103. II. *Account, by the Same, of his interview with the Bps. of London and Durham and Dean of Winchester, Jan.* 21, 1622. *Latin.*

103. III. *Queries proposed, at the King's request, to the Archbishop, requiring fuller explanation of his views relating to the churches of Rome and England, the modes of uniting them, &c., and whether he had pretended a commission from His Majesty to negociate the reconciliation, as was reported in letters from Belgium. Latin.*

103. IV. ——*to*——. *The rumour is current* [*in Belgium*] *that the Archbp. of Spalato is commissioned by the King to go to Rome, to reconcile the two churches, and his friends declare it openly and confidently; fears it is but a snare to entrap him.*

103. V. ——*to*——. *The Bull made for the Archbp. of Spalato declares that he went to England by orders from the Pope to procure the King's conversion, and is returning to bring his Majesty's recantation and oath of obedience.*

103. VI. *Archbp. of Spalato to the King. Must go away for the good of the Church. Entreats His Majesty's pardon and permission to leave, and also to bid him adieu, unless his doing so would strengthen foolish rumours. Begs letters to secure his safe departure. Savoy, Feb.* 3, 1622. *Latin.*

103. VII. *Replies by the Same, to the twelve interrogatories proposed by the King. Savoy, Feb.* 11, 1622. *Latin.*

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103. VIII. *Archbp. of Spalato to the Bp. of Durham. Sends responses to His Majesty's queries, and three original letters to be shown to him. Latin.*

103. IX. —— *to the Archbp. of Spalato. Reports are current that he has a safe conduct, procured by Spain from the Pope, to return to Rome. Cautions him against trusting safe conducts, as they have often been violated, and his sayings and writings have been little pleasing to the Papacy. He is said to have written letters saying that he spreads Roman Catholic doctrines with the King's privity. With note by the Archbishop, denying writing any such letters.*

103. X. —— *to the Same. It is reported that he is to return to Rome to reunite the Church of England to the Pope; the object is glorious, but Spain is not to be trusted. His works have laid open the most secret sores of the Court of Rome, which can dissemble, but cannot pardon. Entreats him to beware of his life. Venice, Dec.* 10, 1621.

103. XI. —— *to the Same. Cardinal Mellino has shown him the brief for Spalato's return, which wants nothing to guarantee his security, but it is to be sent to Brussels, and not given him till he is in the territories of a Catholic Prince. They deal sincerely with him, and the church assigned to him is valuable. Exhorts him to come cheerfully. Jan.* 8, 1622.

103. XII. *Additional queries proposed by the King's order to th Archbishop. Feb.* 16. *Latin.*

103. XIII. *Replies of the Archbishop thereto. Feb.* 16. *Latin.*

103. XIV. *Archbp. of Spalato to the Dean of Winchester. His opinion about schism is that the party guilty of it is the one which prevents union in fundamental points and in love. Never spread the report of the King's intended reconciliation with the Pope, but it was rumoured to be one of the conditions of the Spanish match, and then his friends thought that he was to be the agent in negociating it, and warned him to caution in trusting himself in the Pope's hands; knows not what to do; cannot remain in England, on account of the hatred conceived against him; is not allowed to go away; is weary of his life; entreats a free and speedy dismissal. Savoy, March* 19, 1622. *Latin.*

103. XV. *The Same to the Same. The original MS. of his work on ecclesiastical republics has remained with the printers, being in torn, confused, and useless sheets: but the copies printed by Bill are genuine. Latin.*

103. XVI. *The Same to Cyril, Patriarch of Alexandria. Long groaned under the Egyptian bondage of the Church of Rome, but at last escaped a year before to Goshen,*

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which is England, where, under a wise and pious King, true defender of the faith, the cause of Christ triumphs. Sends him a copy of the first part of his work on ecclesiastical republics. Vindicates therein the Eastern Church from the calumnies of Rome. Intreats him to become an agent in healing the disunion between the Eastern Church and that of England, and to communicate any difficulties that he may see therein to the Archbp. of Canterbury, or to himself. Latin.

March? 104. —— to Lord [Buckingham?]. A ship of Amsterdam, bound for Hamburg, was cast away at Sheringham, Norfolk, in Oct. 1621; many of the rich wares on board were saved, but stolen by the people of the country, and, in spite of a commission issued for their recovery, at suit of Sir Noel de Caron, many are still detained. Begs him to assist John Braddock, procurator for the owners, in recovering them.

March? 105. ——— to ———. Is sorry his verses against the undertakers for draining fens have been taken so seriously. Details the grounds on which he suspects them of want of knowledge of their business. Their schemes are impracticable; fens were made fens, and must ever continue such, and are useful in multiplying fowl and fish, producing turf, &c. Describes the different kinds of fen lands, especially Thorney Fen. The Earl of Exeter has lowered the value of his land by draining 1,000 acres in Deeping Fen, it being too cold for pasturage. The people think the undertakers will work by witchcraft, no persons of experience supposing their designs possible. They do not intend to have their grants of land conditional on the maintaining of their drainage. Proposes that their rewards should be a third of the increase of the rents secured by their services, as long as they are continued. Fears they will begin their task, find unexpected obstacles, and then abandon it, leaving more knowledge but less money than before.

[March.] 106. Remonstrance of the contractors for the farm of the customs on French wines, sweet wines, and currants, to the Council. Will be disadvantaged by the recalling of one part of their contract separate from another, their calculations of profit and loss being made for the whole unitedly. State their expenses and receipts; are willing to resign the farm of wines at Michaelmas, on payment of expenses, interest, and 10,000*l.* recompence for their labours.

[March.] 107. Copy of the above.

March. 108. Commissioners of the Navy [to Sir Robt. Pye]. Of the monthly allowance of 800*l.* for the Navy for March, 538*l.* is to be paid to the Treasurer of the Navy, and 262*l.* to the Surveyor of Victuals.

March? 109. Petition of Wm. Bing, Edm. Lisle, and Chas. Glemham, Captains of three castles next the Downs, in the Cinque Ports, to Lord Treasurer Cranfield. Have long since petitioned for a supply of ordnance, &c., and for money for repair of decayed castles, but have not obtained it; the ravages of the sea during winter have

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increased the damage, so that the castles can no longer defend the coasts from the attacks of ships of war, of which the sea is full, nor even defend their own merchantmen who seek succour there. Intreat speedy order for their supply.

March ? 110. Petition of Fras. Hales to the Same, for mitigation of his fine of 100*l*., imposed for non-discovery of the frauds of Fras. Newton, grocer; his offence was rather of ignorance than wilfulness, and he has lost 200*l*., and been imprisoned in the cause.

March ? 111. Petition of the Poor Hammer-pewterers to Lord Treasurer Cranfield and the Council, for a hearing of the grievances inflicted on them by the Pewterers' Company, who refuse to put out 80,000 weight of tin for them to work on, as agreed by patent and ordered in Council.

March ? 112. Petition of Sir Nich. Stoddart to Lord Treasurer Cranfield, for the fee farm of certain land adjoining his park at Lee, Kent, which he has on lease, and has taken in to enlarge the park, a prohibition lately issued against felling the wood in the said land being very injurious to him, as having paid dearly for the woods. *Incloses,*

112. I. [*The Same to the Same.*] *The King, delighting in his park, granted him the fee farm of some lands adjoining, to enlarge his, but the Chancellor of the Exchequer would not pass them in fee farm; has purchased from the patentees of the woods on the land their interest therein, and, his lease being about to expire, presses for a grant of the fee farm.*

March ? 113. Certificate by Edw. Barkham, Lord Mayor of London, that the name of Dr. Clarke, of Langbourne Ward, returned to appear before the Council, was inserted by mistake, he protesting that he was never owner of 100*l*.

March ? 114. The Lord Mayor to the Council. Rich. Middleton, formerly returned as backward in the contribution, has agreed to pay his proportion to His Majesty.

March ? 115. Rates at which nine inhabitants of several wards of London were assessed, with their offers of contribution.

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April 1. Grant to Fras. Browne of half the rectory of Yardley, co. Worcester. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

April 1. London. 1. Bp. of Chichester to Carleton. Finds such practices in the Court that he is best who is farthest off. Preached last Sunday. The King never came to any sermon in Lent but that one; he has shown himself more to the people than usual, at which they rejoice. Rumours of stirs in Ireland; no harm expected, but a stroke may await us. Sir Hen. Savile was buried by torchlight to save expense, though he left 200*l*. for his funeral.

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April 1. Winterbourne. 2. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Is only reserved on his own follies, &c. Report of a fleet, greater than that of 1588, intended against Ireland.

April 2. Lynn Regis, Norfolk. 3. Order of the Commissioners of Sewers, on presentment of a report concerning the banks required for the preservation of Marsh-land, in the hundred of Freebridge, that the suggestions of the said presentment for constructing the banks, and the taxations adopted for works necessary therefor, be adopted and enforced, under penalties of double fines, distraints, &c., the expense being estimated at 289*l.* 10*s.*

April 2. Margate. 4. Order of the Commissioners of Sewers for Kent. A tax of 223*l.* 0*s.* 6*d.* levied on the pier of Margate, and on the houses and lands endangered by the sea, not proving sufficient for the expense of jetties built to protect them, a second tax, but less in amount, is to be raised, to pay the remainder.

April 4. Harrington House. 5. Countess of Bedford to Carleton. Is weary with writing a volume of news to the Queen [of Bohemia]. Mr. Preston, a chaplain soon to be sent to Her Majesty, is much approved, and is conformable to the English Church. She should write to Sec. Calvert.

April 5. 6. List [signed by the Council] of contributions by four persons towards the benevolence. [*See March* 8.]

April 5. Warrant for advance to Sir Lewis Lewkenor, Master of the Ceremonies, of 500*l.*, for coaches to attend Count Schwartzenburg, Ambassador Extraordinary from the Emperor. [*Docquet.*]

April 5. Warrant to pay 4,000*l.* to His Majesty's own hands, or such as he may appoint, for special service. [*Docquet.*]

April 5. Grant to Martin Harderet, in reversion after John Holloway, of the office of Compt roller of the Customs inward, in the port of London. [*Docquet.*]

April 5. Grant to Nich. Smisby, in reversion after Thos. Edwards, senior, of the office of Sealer in the Court of Chancery. [*Docquet.*]

April 6. 7. Locke to Carleton. The Emperor's Ambassador is entertained at Somerset House at the King's charge. Censure passed upon the Bp. of Spalato by some of the Council. He is banished the King's dominions on pain of death. He equivocates about his writings. The Spanish Ambassador thanks the King for ridding the land of such a knave. The raising of volunteers for the House of Austria goes on slowly.

[April 6.] 8. Petition of the Master, Wardens, Assistants, and Company of Woodmongers, Chandlers, and others, traders in coals in London, to the Council, to take cognizance of their former petitions relative to the frauds committed by the oastmen of Newcastle in mixing their coals, and to grant them speedy redress, the answers of the oastmen tending only to delay, for their own private enrichment. With order thereon, that the petitioners suggest some course for remedy of the disorders complained of.

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April 8. 9. Request, by Robt. Burwell, Incumbent of Buckworth, that as he only receives from his living 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* per ann., and the lease of it is held by the Earl of March on agreement to pay all subsidies, he may be freed from all incidental charges this year.

April 8. 10. Request, by T. Harvey, Vicar of Ellington, that his living being but a stipendiary cure of 20*l.* per ann., paid from Peter House, Cambridge, and the charges for subsidies, tenths, archdeacon and bishop's fees, having amounted to 11*l.* 7*s.* 1*d.* in the year, he may be excused further charges.

April 9. 11. Note by Thos. Broadhurst, Vicar of Yaxley, that 13*s.* 4*d.* is all he can afford as his contribution for the Palatinate, his stipend of 10*l.* per ann. being detained from him, and he having only a house and land worth 6*l.* per ann. for his maintenance.

April 9. 12. Answer of the Merchant Adventurers to the Prince and Council. Are unable to comply with their order to discontinue the imposts laid on cloth, because they were levied to discharge the debt incurred by the sums paid to the King on their restoration, which were borrowed on security thereof; if the imposts cease, the moneys will be called in and the company utterly ruined, rather than which they would surrender their charter. Will consent to admit interlopers to trade from London, as from the outports, on certain conditions. Cannot again assess the company to buy up the remainders of cloth on hand, the last assessment having reduced the stock to an average quantity, and the remainder being chiefly refuse and faulty. The clothiers themselves are the chief cause of the mischief, by their general making of faulty and imperfect cloth, contrary to the Statute.

April 10. Whitehall. 13. [The Lord Treasurer] to the Clerks of the Pipe. To inrol and execute the Privy Seal allowing defalcation of 21*l.* per ann. to the Earl of Pembroke, out of his rent of 87*l.* 5*s.*, for the Lordship and Castle of St. Briavell's. *Incloses,*

13. 1. *Warrant to the Officers of the Exchequer to continue the allowance of the above defalcation. Westminster, April 5.*

April. Docquet of the above warrant. [*Docquet, April* 5.]

April 10. Plymouth. 14. Lord Digby to the Council. Has settled, as required, the dispute between Robt. Dure, a Frenchman, and the officers of the port, and ordered full restitution to be made to Dure. [*See May, No.* 134, *and July, No.* 79.]

April 10. Pinkie. 15. Earl of Dunfermline to Robt. Abercromby. Thanks for pains taken in his affairs; wishes to know who is to succeed the Venetian Ambassador.

April 10. 16. Composition agreed to be paid by the County of Middlesex, in lieu of yearly providing specified quantities of corn, meal, fowls, hay, wood, coals, &c., at the King's prices, and also in lieu of suppression of petty purveyances, and of raising the prices of conveying the King's carriages from 2*d.* to 1*s.* the mile. Total, 1,942*l.* 19*s.*

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April 10. Grant to Hen. Beaumont of the deanery of St. George's Chapel, Windsor. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

[April 11.] Grant to John Earl of Holderness of the patronage of the vicarage of Kingston-upon-Thames. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 60.]

April 11. Grant to Sampson Ewer of the office of King's Attorney in the Principality of Wales, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 353.]

April 11. Grant to Thos. Forester of the benefit of a recognizance forfeited by John Allen. [*Ibid.*]

April 11. Letter to the Lord President, Vice President, and Council of the North, authorizing them to grant to Jane Fairfax, widow, whose petition is enclosed, a sequestration of the rents and profits of the parsonage of Acaster, co. York, for payment of a certain annuity, with arrears. [*Docquet.*]

April 11. Grant to Walter Wykes and Joan Prosser of pardon for adultery. [*Docquet.*]

April 11. Grant, with survivorship, to Jas. Maxwell and Elizabeth, his wife, of an annuity of 500*l.*, on surrender by them of pensions and allowances amounting to 483*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* [*Docquet.*]

April 11. Warrant to pay to Sir John Spilman 85*l.*, in discharge of the expenses of Fred. Gunter, Secretary to the King of Denmark, for thirty-four days, at 50*s.* per day. [*Docquet.*]

April 11. Bath. 17. Mayor, &c. of Bath to the Council. Philip Sherwood, who has complained of the pulling down of his sign as an innkeeper, first kept an alehouse, but got a licence for an inn from Sir Giles Mompesson, on revocation of whose patent all such inns were suppressed; he refused contemptuously to take down his sign, and it was forcibly taken away; whereon he went to petition Council, and, on his return, set up his sign again. Sundry disorders have been committed in his alehouse, but will submit the case to their Lordships.

April 12. 18, 19. Certificates of the Lord Mayor of London, that Hugh Windham and Sampson Newport, who were certified for non-contribution, have now offered twenty nobles each, which is thought a reasonable sum. Two papers.

April 12. Special Commission to Lionel Lord Cranfield, Sir Rich. Weston, and others, to disforest and let Barnwood Forest, co. Bucks, Feckenham Forest, co. Worcester, and other forests and moors. [*Grant Bk., p.* 359.]

April 12. Whitehall. 20. Petition of Thos. Findlayson, His Majesty's Printer in Scotland, to the King, for licence to sell Scottish books in England, English books being already allowed free sale in Scotland. With reference thereon to Sec. Calvert.

[April 12.] 21. [—— Phelips] to the Same. Having no friend about Court, is compelled to address His Majesty direct; will not stand upon the goodness of his cause, but rather be a monument of sorrow and humility. Prays pardon for the earnestness with which he entreats his clemency, not for himself, but for his dear and only brother [Sir

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Robt. Phelips], who, though walking in straightforward paths, yet having retired to his country house during the last recess of Parliament, was arrested by a serjeant-at-arms at Christmas, brought before the Council, and committed close prisoner to the Tower, where neither his wife nor himself can gain access to him. The commissioners sent to examine him have not been since the first week of his imprisonment, which has now lasted three months. Indorsed, "Petition to his Matie for ye release or enlargement of a Parliam^t man, close prisoner in ye Tower."

April 12. Oving. 22. Art. Claver to Wm. Boswell, Secretary to the Bp. of Lincoln. Sends accounts of the contribution of the clergy of Buckinghamshire, with the money. Begs recompence for the apparitors who have gone about to collect both the contributions and the bishop's benevolence. *Incloses,*

22. I. *Account by Art. Claver, Registrar of the Archdeaconry of Buckingham, of the contributions of the clergy of the Archdeaconry towards the Palatinate, giving the names of the rectories, &c., the ministers, and the sums paid by each; total,* 234*l.* 3*s.* 8*d.* *With note of payment thereof to Mr. Boswell, April* 16.

[April 12.] 23. Duplicate of the above account.

April 12? 24. Request by John Wibarn, Rector of Catworth and Vicar of Godmanchester, that 40*s.* may be accepted as his contribution towards recovery of the Palatinate, being the extent of his poor ability.

April 12? 25. Similar request by Edw. Lynne, Parson of Molesworth, for acceptance of 20*s.*, having lost much money by suretyship for one of his brethren.

April 12? 26. Similar request by John Reynolds, Parson of Glatton, for acceptance of 20*s.*, his living being worth less than 30*l.* a year.

April 12. 27. Similar request of Thos. Johnson, Vicar of Harley, for acceptance of 13*s.* 4*d.*, his house having been burned down, and his wife long ill. With note that this amount is after the rate of a whole subsidy.

April 12? 28. Similar request by Thos. Lowe, Vicar of Hemingford-Grey, for acceptance of 13*s.* 4*d.* With similar note.

April 12? 29. Similar note by Jeffery Swan, for acceptance of 13*s.* 4*d.*, instead of 3*s.* 10*d.* in the pound, as demanded. With similar note.

April 12? 30. Petition of Robt. Hasell, Minister of Buckden, to the Bp. of Lincoln, for acceptance of 13*s.* 4*d.* as his contribution, his living being out of his own hands, and himself much behindhand. With similar note.

April 13. 31. Request by Wulstan Dixie, Vicar of Brampton, to be excused contribution, having already made three payments to the King since Easter, which have reduced his income to 15*l.*, and having eight children to maintain.

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April 13. Fenstanton. 32. Similar request by Fras. Smyth, Vicar of Fenstanton, to be excused contributing, being burdened with debts incurred by suretyship, and in constant fear of arrest.

April 13? 33. Similar request by Mikepher Alpherey, Parson of Woolley, having small means and a large family.

April 13? 34. Similar request of Thos. Atkinson, Vicar of Great Paxton, co. Huntingdon, having fifteen children, small means, and many debts.

April 13. London. 35. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Archbp. of Spalato declares the orthodoxy of the general tenets of our Church, but says the practice of divines is schismatical; that he came over to avoid the Pope's indignation, but that now there is a good Pope, who is willing to redress abuses. The Emperor's Ambassador has had audiences; he is poorly equipped, and had to hire a jewel for his hat; he is intimate with the Spanish Ambassador, who teaches him his lesson. Dr. Winniffe, who was sent to prison for comparing Spinola to the devil, was terrified, and wrote to the Ambassadors of Spain and the Emperor, by whose mediation he is liberated. The City bands mustered 6,000 men before St. James's, but the Prince did not vouchsafe them his presence.

April 13. 36. Locke to [the Same]. Particulars of the Bp. of Spalato, who is sentenced to depart the realm for holding correspondence with the Pope. The East India merchants have yet received no satisfaction from the Dutch. Shots were exchanged between two of their ships and two of the King's, because they refused to strike sail. The Emperor's Ambassador has had an audience, and desires another; the Emperor is willing to make peace on reasonable conditions. The Council endeavour to find out the cause of the decay of clothing. Dr. Winniffe committed to the Tower, for a remark in a sermon at Whitehall, comparing the Palatinate to a soul in hell, and Spinola to the devil, from whom it was impossible to get back the soul. Sir John Suckling sworn of the Privy Council, but not made Secretary.

April 14. Whitehall. Sir Geo. Calvert to the Same. The King will take care that the Archbp. of Spalato produces no letters that can harm the two persons with whom he has corresponded, for His Majesty has taken all his letters, and the Archbp. of Canterbury his loose MSS., and the history of the Council of Trent. The King thinks fit to let him leave England, out of consideration of his age and infirmities. [*Holl. Corresp., April* 14, 1822.]

April 15. 37. Locke to the Same. Sends a letter mentioned in his last.

April 15. Dover. 38. Rich. Marsh to Lord Zouch. Encloses the last order made by Sir Geo. Newman, touching the Dutch ship. The surveyors of Dover harbour have taken examinations on Mr. Leonard's business. Lord Falkland's bailiff is arrested for seizing floating timber brought to land.

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April 15? 39. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. Will take charge of the wines; Jas. Hugessen offers 100*l.* for them. Never received 10*s.* to release a man who was impressed, but has sometimes taken a piece or two for other courtesies.

April 15. Warrant for payment of 2,907*l.* 18*s.* 6¼*d.* to the Lieutenant of Ordnance, to be by him paid to divers of the King's servants and creditors in that office. [*Docquet.*]

April 15. Grant to the Master, Fellows, and Scholars of Trinity College Cambridge, of licence to take from Rich. Hopes the advowson of the rectory of North-Roughton, co. Norfolk, notwithstanding the statute of mortmain, or that the same is holden in capite. [*Docquet.*]

April 15. Grant to Dr. Wm. Piers of the deanery of Peterborough. [*Docquet.*]

April 15. Grant to Barth. Elnor and Rich. Cheney, for life, of the office of Comptroller of Petty Customs within the Port of London, which Elnor already held during pleasure. [*Docquet.*]

April 15. Grant to the Bailiffs, &c. of Basingstoke, co. Hants, of incorporation, with certain privileges, and a confirmation of former liberties, markets, &c. [*Docquet.*]

April 16. Norwich. 40. Justices of Norfolk to the Council. Have taken survey of the stores of corn in the county, and find the quantity very short of what will be needed before Michaelmas, and the harvest likely to be less promising than the last. Pray directions for providing against dearth.

April 16. 41. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] for the wages and victualling of 500 men, to be employed in the Nonsuch and Assurance, to transport the Earl Gondomar and his followers into Spain. Total, 2,565*l.*

April 17. 42. Examination of Stephen Danton, of Worth, Kent. Digs fullers' earth from his own ground, and sold thirty or forty loads to a Dutchman, for which offence he craves pardon. Rich. Fyle, of Sandwich, has also sold fullers' earth to Dutchmen. [*See May* 11.]

April 18. Grant to Hen. Wood, on surrender of Robt. Vernon, of the office of Keeper of the newly erected warren called Wilbraham Bushes, co. Cambridge, and of the game within ten miles' compass. [*Docquet.*]

April 18. Warrant to the Treasurer of the Chamber for payment of 25*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to Aza Scandaver, for his charges in conveyance of deer to different places. [*Docquet.*]

April 18. 43. Petition of the Captains employed in the merchant ships in the expedition against pirates, to Council, for renewal of their former orders, which are still unfulfilled, that the merchants' committees may give in their accounts, and that from the surplus in their hands, the petitioners may have further recompence.

April 18. 44. Notes of the freights of certain [Dutch] vessels, since Jan. 7, 1621.

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April 19. Maidstone. 45. Return by the Mayor, Recorder, and Town Clerk of Maidstone, of the names of strangers, and of the children of strangers in the town, and of their trades, being chiefly thread makers, and thereby employing many poor in spinning.

April 19. 46. Indenture of settlement, by Michael West, of Towcester, of 10*l.* per ann., issuing out of certain closes in Blisworth, co. Northampton, on Wm. Sheppard, of Collingtree, in the same county, to the use of Thos. West and Eleanor Sheppard, about to be married. Indorsed with note, that the deed was surrendered Nov. 2, 1633, to be cancelled, for the use of Sir John Lambe.

April 20. Westminster. 47. Commission to the Archbp. of Canterbury, Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, and others of the Council, to execute rigidly the statutes for banishing Jesuits and seminary priests, according to the request made by Parliament.

April 20. 48. Sir Hen. Goodere to Carleton. Thanks for past favours, especially to his daughter. The Earl of Oxford is committed to the Tower.

April 20. Basinges, in Peckham. 49. Sir Thos. Gardiner to the Council. Prays to be excused attendance on them, in order better to execute the employments with which he is charged by the King. Supposes he is summoned for money, but excuses himself from paying, his estate being partly sold away, and otherwise encumbered.

April 20. Easter Eve. 50. Locke to [Carleton]. The Bp. of Spalato has gone with the Emperor's Ambassador. The States have concluded nothing in the merchants' business, but the point of restitution is referred to the King; they have lately consented that the duty on English cloth should cease. Sends a list of the captains who are to serve under the King of Spain or the Emperor. The 8,000 voluntaries are almost raised, and are under the Earl of Argyle and Lord Vaux. The Earl of Oxford committed to the Tower, for saying, in reference to suing out the livery for the Earl of Berkshire's daughter, that he hoped the time would come when justice would be free, and not pass only through Buckingham's hands. The Spanish Ambassador, Gondomar, is about to depart; he is grown very choleric; he beat a Scotsman the other day openly with his fists, for saying he had been ill treated in Spain. The Scotsman, though he took it patiently, was committed to prison.

April 20. Commission to Lord Cranfield and Sir Rich. Weston, to do all things contained in a former commission to Sir Rich. Weston. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

April 21. Winterbourne. 51. Mary Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Was with his daughter [a pseudonyme for his mistress] to-day; they laughed until their sides were ready "to tear asunder," &c. Family affairs.

April 22. [Dover.] 52. Commissioners of the Passage [at Dover] to Lord Zouch. Request directions about Jean Ardu, a French friar, on whom

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about twelve pounds' weight of gold was found, which the deputies of the Farmers of Customs are plotting to detain. Ardu professes a wish to be converted, and attends the sermons, &c. of the French minister.

April 22. Commission to Sir John Philipps, Bart., to inquire into the death of Wm. Starfield. [*Grant Bk., p.* 352.]

April 22 ? 53. Invention by Thos. Middleton, being a musical allegory, performed for the service of Edw. Barkham, Lord Mayor of London, when he entertained his brother Aldermen at a feast in the Easter holidays. Damaged.

April 23. 54. Dr. Thos. Morrison's account of the contribution of the clergy in the archdeaconry of Huntingdon, diocese of Lincoln, towards recovery of the Palatinate, paid to Wm. Boswell. Total 147*l.* 8*s.*

April 23 ? 55. Names of persons [of the diocese of Lincoln], who did, and of others who did not, meet at the places appointed for making contribution for the benevolence.

April 23. 56. John Nicholas to [Edw. Nicholas]. The lady desires not to marry before August. Lady Mills is in a dying condition.

April 24. Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 57. Certificate of the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, Commissioners for preservation of the River Tyne, to the Council. Detail particulars of their proceedings in that service since Michaelmas 1621, in repairing staithes which gave way through the winter floods, fining those who cast in ballast, &c.

April 24. Whitehall. 58. The King to the University of Oxford. Commends their proceedings against Knight, and their commitment of Herbert and Code for seditious preaching; they are not to be liberated without his consent. The students are to be directed to apply themselves to the study of divinity, by reading the Scriptures, the General Councils, and the ancient Fathers and Schoolmen, and excluding the heretical doctrines of both Jesuits and Puritans. [Indorsed by Laud.]

April 25. Melford. 59. Justices of Suffolk to the Council. The manufacturers of new drapery agree that it is inexpedient that any one should in future set up as a maker of new draperies without being bound apprentice for seven years, but that it would be dangerous to suppress those unapprenticed who now exercise the trade, being two-thirds of the whole, as many poor would thus be thrown out of work. Also they agree that no tucker or miller should keep looms in his house, as being injurious to weavers. They cannot suggest any plan for the oversight of the new drapery, that it may be truly made.

April 25. Llangollen. 60. High Sheriff and Justices of Denbighshire to the Same. The manufacturers of the county say that their trade is confined to cottons and friezes. They know of no reason for delay in the sale thereof, except that the Shropshire drapers no longer frequent Oswestry market as before, and think the restoration of the market to Oswestry would revive the trade. They can say nothing about hindrance of sale beyond seas, and therefore think their sending up commissioners on that behalf is needless.

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April 26. Seaton-Delaval. 61. [Sir] Ralph Delavale, High Sheriff of Northumberland, to the Council. Has apprehended Edw. Henderson, of Pagecroft, according to order, and sent him up to attend their lordships.

April 27. London. 62. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Earl of Oxford committed to the Tower, and his minion Hawley to the Gatehouse, for idle speeches touching His Majesty's Government. Capt. Walsingham, who had been a pirate, but since employed in the Algiers expedition, is sent to the Tower, for threatening to surprise the Dreadnought, one of the King's ships, and return to his old trade. Sir Robt. Mansell and his crew are ill paid, and Sir Rich. Hawkins, the Vice Admiral, is dead of vexation. The tilting is postponed on account of the King's illness; the Prince is disappointed, wishing to make show of a feather he received from his Spanish mistress. The Marchioness of Buckingham was churched, and dined in the bedchamber of the King, who has given a diamond chain, with his picture, worth 3,500*l.*, to the Duchess of Lenox, for making broths and caudles for her in her sickness. One Knight is committed for preaching that tyrannical Kings may be brought to order by their subjects—a doctrine so extravagant that the King talks of having a copy of the sermon burnt by the hangman as heretical. The Emperor's Ambassador has gone away, and the Bp. of Spalato with him. Sir Rich. Weston has left for Brussels, and the new Spanish Ambassador has arrived. Jas. Palmer succeeds Mr. Wray in the Bedchamber. Chris. Villiers and Sir Thos. Beaumont made Viscounts, though without much land, but the King will supply Villiers' lack.

April 27. 63. Locke to the Same. The unseasonable weather has caused the tilting and St. George's Feast to be put off. Lord Chichester and Mr. Beecher go next week.

April 27. Bramsell Park. 64. Wm. Hibbins to Nicholas. Acknowledges the receipt of 5*l.*; will repay it at a week's notice.

April 28. Canterbury. 65. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Sir Geo. Calvert. The Governor of Boulogne writes him word that a bark was taken out of the roads there by pirates, and carried into Rye; has made stay of the same. Begs further instructions. *Incloses,*

65. 1. *Mayor of Rye to Sir Hen. Mainwaring. The French bark about which he inquired, with another, was captured under commission; wishes to know if their ladings may be sold, being Papists' goods. With note by Mainwaring that the people of Rye have already bought the goods. Rye, April* 27.

April 28. Hythe. 66. Mayor and Jurats of Hythe to Sir Hen. Mainwaring. Certify the names and occupations of the three strangers resident there.

April 28. 67. The King to the Mayor, Recorder, and Justices of London, &c. To seize some parcels of indigo, logwood, and other prohibited commodities, now concealed in London, which he is pleased to bestow upon the Duke of Lenox, on condition of his exporting them.

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April 29. Alkham. 68. Sir Thos. Edolph and Dr. Fras. Rogers to the Council. Have taken examinations relative to a report that John Browning, Searcher of Hythe, had offered to transport Simon Head's wool beyond seas, and sell it for him at 6*s.* a quarter, as he had previously sold his own. *Inclose,*

68. I. *Examination of Nath. Knight, of Biddenden. Offered to buy some wool from Simon Head, of Alkham, at* 4*s.* 10*d., on which Head's wife said that John Browning would help her husband to sea with his wool, and get him* 6*s. a quarter for it. Alkham, April* 29.

68. II. *Examinations of Simon Head and Thomasine his wife. Deny that the latter ever said anything about Browning or the export of wool. Alkham, April* 29.

68. III. *Examinations of Wm. Sutton of Hawking, and three others. Were present at the interview between Knight and Head, and heard them bargaining about the wool, but nothing about Browning or the exporting of it. Alkham, April* 29.

April 29. Sandwich. 69. List of 70 aliens, 2 denizens, and 108 sons of strangers born in England, who are resident in the town and port of Sandwich; with notes that by trade they are makers of baize, says, and linsey woolseys, gardeners, tailors, basket-makers, and whitesmiths.

April 29. Colchester. 70. Bailiffs of Colchester to Sir Thos. Coventry and Sir Robt. Heath. Send a statement of the grievances inflicted on the English inhabitants by the aliens in the above town, and also an account of their numbers, viz., 234 householders, 379 householders born of Dutch parents, 798 children and 124 servants born in England. State their trades, being chiefly weavers and baize and say makers. *Inclose,*

70. I. *Memorial by the clothiers, baize and say makers, &c. of Colchester, to the Commissioners for Aliens, of grievances sustained by them from the Dutch congregation, who, usurping the searching and sealing of baize, says, &c., extend their manufactures beyond the limits assigned, export money in the purchase of goods imported, engross trade, use no apprenticeship, give insufficient wages, and pretend independence of the Company's authority. With note by the bailiffs that the clothiers are ready to prove these points.*

70. II. *Certificate by the Bailiffs of Colchester, of complaints against thirteen aliens, resident in the town, who are factors for foreigners, and exercise other trades than their own. With note, that the English tailors and wire drawers desire suppression of the aliens who injure their trade.*

70. III. *Petition of the tailors of Colchester against Wm. Thegrane and eight others, Dutchmen, who exercise their trade in that town, to their great prejudice.*

April? 71. Note of such strangers as are workers of baize and new drapery, at Norwich, Colchester, Canterbury, and Sandwich.

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April 29. Dover. 72. Peter Dibb to Lord Zouch. The Flemish ship Hunter, which is sued to be restored, is truly a pirate vessel; it attacked at sea and plundered John Lonne, a Scotsman from Leith, who was bribed to silence by old Mr. Hugessen and others. The ship is undoubtedly his Lordship's. Two prizes are brought in by a French man-of-war and sold, of which he should have the tenth.

April 29. 73. Thos. Fulnetby to the Same. Mr. Elfick has sold the wines seized at Seaford, on pretence of having purchased them from the proprietors. An execution has been served upon himself and Coppin of Ramsgate, for the charges in the suit between his Lordship and Lord Carey. Mr. Marsh claims a groundage tax on goods landed in the Isle of Thanet, which is contrary to the privilege of the ports, and will undo many poor men.

April 29. 74. Account, by John Evelyn, of powder by him delivered into the Tower since May 1621, of his receipt therefor, and of the balance due on his account.

April 30. Salisbury. 75. Wm. Hunton to Edw. Nicholas. Incloses a letter from his mistress; she wishes to postpone the marriage till his return from Dover.

April 30. 76. John Nicholas to the Same. Thinks the Lady will consent to be married at Whitsuntide. Death of Lady Mills.

April 30. Winterbourne. 77. Mat. Nicholas to the Same. Has urged his mistress to perfect the business so long in hand by Whitsuntide.

April 30. 78. ——— to [the Rev. Mr. Case, minister of his parish]. Deplores the offence committed in his house by John Johnson, and another party. Refers to his decision, as his minister, whether he shall accept the offender's penitent submission and continue him in his service, or dismiss him.

April 30. 79. Justices of Wiltshire to the Council. Have refrained from binding over certain clothiers who have dismissed their work-people to appear before Council, on receiving their Lordships' letter ordering two able men to be sent up to treat with commissioners appointed by the King, to examine into the decay of the cloth trade. There are now 8,000 poor out of work; some of them have attacked and seized corn, which was on its way to market, and several designing people having crept in amongst them, further outrages are feared.

[April 30.] 80. Sir Simon Weston and Walter Bagot to the Same. Have seen their Honours' letter to their Lord Lieutenant Essex, relating to a contribution to be raised for the benefit of the King and his children by the county of Stafford, but want the further directions contained in the letter from their Lordships to the sheriffs and justices, which has not reached them.

April 30. Wigan. 81. Bp. of Chester and other Justices of Lancashire to Sir Geo. Calvert. The clothiers have appointed two of their body to attend the Commissioners for the cloth trade, and report on the causes

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of and remedies for the great decay, by which the poor are reduced to extremities. Will attend to the orders of Council about the contributions for recovering the Palatinate.

April 30. Commission to Geo. Archbp. of Canterbury and John Bp. of Lincoln, to reprieve divers persons convicted of felony, and to give them employment abroad. [*Grant Bk., p.* 352.]

April? 82. Note, by Sir Jas. Ley, that an order was made at Cambridge last assizes, which he wishes to be immediately put into execution. *Prefixed is,*

82. I. *Order by Lord Chief Justice Ley and Sir John Dodderidge, appointing a commission to attend to the repair of the highways near Royston, Cambridge, &c., especially such as are frequented by His Majesty; the expense to be borne by the townships or hundreds, or, if necessary, by the county. Cambridge, March* 17, 1622.

April. 83. The Commissioners of the Navy to Sir Robt. Pye. Of the 800*l.* payable for the Navy for April, 536*l.* is to be paid to the Surveyor of Victuals, and 264*l.* to the Treasurer of the Navy.

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May 1. Rye. 1. Mayor of Rye to Sir Geo. Calvert. The Rochelle man-of-war, which took the French barks and brought them into Rye, was licensed by the Reformed Church of La Rochelle. Some of the prize goods are sold, but shall be stayed until further orders. Another Rochelle vessel, meeting a Flemish ship, took all the Papist money on board, but restored the bark, and such goods as seemed to be Protestant. *Incloses,*

1. I. *Certificate by the Assembly of the Reformed Churches at La Rochelle, that Jehan de Millon, captain of the bark Le Lièvre, has their commission to do them what service he can for five weeks, and requesting aid for him therein. April* 17, 1622. *French.*

May 1. Rye. 2. Ant. Hill to Lord Zouch. Much bullion is in one of the prizes brought by the Rochellers into Rye. The Master declares he delivered up all the Protestant goods he found. Sec. Calvert has written to order stay of the prizes. Wishes the Rochellers might make the best of them, as they do in the west country. Has nearly completed the musters.

May 1. Newark. 3. Justices of Nottinghamshire to the Council. Cannot make out the schedule [for contributions to the Palatinate] by the day appointed.

May 1. Carlisle. 4. Sheriff and Justices of Cumberland to the Same. Although clothmaking is allowed to the county by statutes, the general poverty prevents any cloths, kersies, or cottons being made there; have therefore no commissioners to send up.

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[May 1.] 5. Declaration of John Beale, Constable of the Parish of St. Botolph without Aldersgate, to the Council, that on April 28 in the night, he arrested two gentlemen belonging to the Ambassador of Venice, for fighting in the streets; that the Ambassador's secretary required him to release them, which he could not do without an order from the Lord Mayor. This being obtained, they were set free, but have since attacked and threatened him.

May 2. 6. Declaration of Hen. Kyme and John Pennyall, King's Messengers, that on a warrant from Council, they went to commit John Beale, Constable of London, to the Marshalsea, but he refused to go, and appealed to the Lord Mayor; that Sir Clement Edmondes sent them to request the Mayor to send the constable; that the Mayor reproved them for attempting to execute any warrant in the City without his knowledge, treated them harshly, and dismissed them, saying that he would write to the Council.

May 2? 7. Similar declaration, by the Same, of their treatment by the Lord Mayor.

May 2
Morpeth. 8. Sheriff and Justices of Northumberland to the Council. No cloth trade is carried on in the county, the wools being too coarse. Formerly sent their wools to Berwick or Newcastle for export, and suffer loss by the prohibition for export of wool.

May 2. 9. Justices of Cambridgeshire to the Same. Find on survey that the stores of corn within the county are barely sufficient to last till the next harvest, but the prospects of harvest are good.

May 3.
Rye. 10. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Arrival of two Rochelle ships with French prizes. Some of the goods have been sold by the captain for the expenses of himself and his men. Ask directions. Some Spanish ryals have been stolen from one of the vessels, but the robbers are imprisoned.

May 3.
Rye. 11. The Same to Sir Hen. Mainwaring. Give the names and trades of two Dutchmen and three Frenchmen, who, with twenty women and thirty children, are the only strangers resident at Rye.

May 3.
Lewes. 12. Justices of Sussex to the Council. Request further time to collect the voluntary contribution for His Majesty.

May 3.
Chelmsford. 13. Justices of Essex to the Same. Complaints are made throughout the county against the Clerk of the Market, for levying, at his own pleasure, unwonted fines, and inflicting imprisonment, and matters are made worse by his letting out to farm the profits of his office. Request the stay of all suits for collecting these fines, and a settlement of the power and extent of the Clerk's office.

May 3.
Whitehall. 14. Order in Council desiring the Merchants' Committee for inquiring into the decay of merchandise and inequality of trade, to make their report with diligence, as extreme injury will arise from any delay therein.

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May 4. Harrington House. 15. Countess of Bedford to Carleton. Hopes the Queen [of Bohemia] is well enough to write urgently to the Prince and Sec. Calvert. Would see her again at the Hague this summer, but is troubled with an encumbered estate.

May 4. Whitehall. 16. The Council to Lord Zouch. The Rochellers are not to make sale of French prizes in the ports, but they are to be deposited in charge of the Admiral there, and the goods carefully kept till decision of the Admiralty Court. Possession to be taken of the two French barks, brought by a Rocheller into Rye.

May 4. 17. Copy of the above [by Nicholas].

May 4. Westminster. 18. Grant to John Van Hesse, Lord of Piershill and Wena in Holland, at request of the King's only daughter, of restoration of his ancestors' honours forfeited by his entering into trade, the exercise of honest merchandise being not so ignoble as to stain noble blood; with addition to his coat-of-arms of a cross of St. George between four thistles of Scotland. Latin.

Sign Manual of the above, dated March 9. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 21.]

May 5. Tichfield. 19. Earl of Southampton to the Council. Has taken much pains about the contribution, but the sum is likely to fall far short of their Lordships' expectations. *Incloses,*

19. I. *Justices of Hampshire to the Earl of Southampton, Lord Lieutenant. Have taxed themselves at* 5*d. in the pound upon their subsidy assessments towards the contribution, although both in free gifts and subsidies they have already done beyond the proportion of other counties. Winchester, May* 1.

May 5. Whitehall. 20. Petition of Gilbert Southworth to the King, for further remuneration for his three years' services in increasing the revenue in Ireland, having received but 40*l.*, and his expenses being 250*l.* With reference thereon.

May 5. Dover. 21. Mayor and Jurats of Dover to Lord Zouch. The Rocheller in their road offers to bring in a French prize, laden with wheat, if he may be permitted to sell the wheat. Request this permission, for benefit of the poor in the present dearth, wheat being at 5*s.* 6*d.* the bushel.

May 6. Weymouth and Melcombe Regis. 22. Mayor, &c. of Weymouth and Melcombe Regis to the Council. Have called the gentlemen of the county before them for the voluntary contribution; send an account of their offerings, which, though small are large considering how their trade is depressed by their losses from Turkish pirates, who have attacked and taken almost every bark sent last year to Spain or Gibraltar, and have caused such a damp on trade, that, instead of thirty-nine ships, as before, only eleven have gone this year to Newfoundland.

May 6. Grange. 23. High Sheriff of Dorsetshire to the Same. Desires further time for collecting the voluntary contribution.

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May 6. Norwich. 24. Justices of Norfolk to the Council. Find the people willing to give even beyond their poor ability for the contribution, but they require a little delay to complete the service.

May 6. Dover. 25. Wm. Leonard to Nicholas. The Dutch ship is stayed according to Lord Zouch's orders. Has heard nothing of Signor Cappone, who owes money on its account. A Rochelle man-of-war offers to sell the corn from a French prize which he has taken, at 4*s.* a bushel, if he may sell it at Dover.

May 6. Winterbourne. 26. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Fears his mistress will not consent to a speedier marriage. Has not met with a happy device for the motto on the wedding ring.

[May 6.] 27. Petition of the Master, Wardens and Assistants of the Trinity House of Deptford Strond, to Buckingham, that the King's former permission, for them to be charged only 1,000*l.* instead of 2,000*l.* per ann., for two years, towards the expedition against pirates, may be adhered to, and that they be not compelled by Council to pay the other 2,000*l.* at suit of the merchants, who, by their errors, have greatly mismanaged the business.

May 6. Commission to Sir John Ashley to take up for the King's service embroiderers, tailors, and other artificers. [*Grant Bk., p.* 51.]

May 6. Grant to John Dwaris of the place of a child of the leash, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 353.]

May 6. 28. Notes [by Sir Robt. Heath] of the opinions of merchants of different counties relative to the cause of decay in the cloth trade, being chiefly heavy impositions, restrictions laid by merchant companies, and false making of cloth.

May ? 29. Suggestions [by the Same] as to the mode of establishing a bank; also as to regulations to be determined upon, touching the impost on tobacco; with notes about saltpetre and the customs.

May 30. Project [by the Same], for establishing a bank, and paying debts by assignations of money due to the debtors.

May 31. Propositions showing the great utility of a bank, and recommendation for erecting one in London, to be regulated by a Council of trade, as a means of detecting the export of money, of working trade with smaller capital, &c.

May ? 32. Arguments [by Sir Robt. Heath] on the benefit to trade of establishing a bank, and details of the regulations proposed for it.

May 6. Rome. 33. Letters commendatory from Pet. Lombard, Titular Archbp. of Armagh and Primate of Ireland, for John Stychius, an English Papist, certifying his good conduct during his sojourn at Rome, and recommending him to the charity of religious houses. Latin.

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May 7. Hereford. 34. Justices of Herefordshire to the Council. The people of the county earnestly plead to be excused from the voluntary contribution. The letters of Council thereon urging a cheerful giving were read in a public assembly, but received with dead silence. Request further directions.

May 7. Winchester. 35. Mayor, &c. of Winchester to the Same. Have called up one by one all the citizens able to pay towards the voluntary contribution, and send the names of those who will pay, those who refuse, and those who profess to pay elsewhere.

May 7. Ludlow. 36. Bailiffs of Ludlow to the Same. Certify the names of those who consent, and of those who refuse to pay towards the voluntary contribution. The town is poor and much decayed.

May 7. 37. Statement by John Plant, King's Messenger. Being on business at Sandwich, Thos. Hopkins told him privately, that sundry merchants in the town, aided by Edw. Kelk, Customer, had defrauded the customs of 4,000*l.* or 5,000*l.*, and that he was ready to come to London and prove it. Told this report to Mr. Randall, Clerk of the Cheque, who bade him return to Sandwich and fetch up Hopkins. He delayed his coming till May 5, and then said he would prove his accusations; but, for some reason unknown, apprehended Plant the same night as a malefactor.

[May 7.] 38. Declaration by Thos. Hopkins and Rich. Norwood, that when Plant went down to Sandwich to bring up Hopkins, he spoke of him as his prisoner.

[May 7.] 39. Declaration by the Same, that Plant, contrary to his oath as a messenger, had refrained from complaining of Geo. Snowden, of Ash, Kent, for saying there was never anything good came out of Scotland, &c., Snowden's wife having promised him a suit of apparel if her husband might not be called in question.

May 7. Note of the opinions of the Merchant Adventurers, that the causes of decay in the cloth trade are the advantage taken by the Dutch of the former orders for dyeing and dressing cloth in England to manufacture cloth of their own, which, though coarse, is much used in Germany, now that war makes traffic unsafe; also the impositions on cloth at home and abroad, its false making, the export of wools, &c. [*Dom. Corresp., May* 5.]

May 8. Notes of the opinions of the Eastland merchants, that the decay in trade is caused by abundance of wool abroad, and might be remedied by leave to import corn in lieu of cloth, &c.; the Guinea Company neither carry on their own trade as far as promised, nor allow others to do it. [*Ibid.*]

May 8. Southampton. 40. Mayor, &c. of Southampton to the Council. The citizens have subscribed 47*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.* towards the voluntary contribution, but cannot do more, having raised 300*l.* towards the Algiers fleet, lent 140*l.* for the Palatinate wars, and contributed towards the French Protestants; they lose much by having most of their trade in France.

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May 8. Stafford. 41. High Sheriff of Staffordshire to the Council. Desires further time for raising the voluntary contribution.

May 8. Ipswich. 42. Bailiffs of Ipswich to the Same. The inhabitants have contributed beyond their power, considering the want of money and general decay of trade; request directions where to pay in their money.

May 8. Harwich. 43. Mayor, &c. of Harwich to the Same. Have contributed beyond their power, considering that the general loss in sea trading this year disables them more than ever before.

May 8. Bridgewater. 44. Mayor, &c. of Bridgewater to the Same. Send a schedule of the promised contributions, but, owing to the decay of trade, no merchant vessels are now employed in the town except to carry coals, and great poverty prevails.

May 8. Plymouth. 45. Mayor, &c. of Plymouth to the Same. Jas. Mules, passenger in a ship arrived from Avero in Portugal, voluntarily repaired to them to give certain information. *Inclose,*

45. I. *Examination of Jas. Mules, of Westchester, resident in Dublin, and step-son of Sir Wm. Mears, of Dublin. Went on a merchant voyage to Gibraltar, but their ship was taken by the Turks; escaped in a boat to Lisbon; met there Father Forcer, Rector of the English Jesuit colleges in Spain, John Baptist, and —— Moralis, confessor to the young Earl of Tyrone, all Jesuits, who told him they were going to Waterford, and thence to England; afterwards, finding that he was English and a Protestant, they feared he might betray them, and had him put into the Inquisition, where he was kept a month, and cruelly tortured. The Viceroy of Lisbon compelled a ship of Waterford to carry over the Jesuits. Great preparations both of vessels and troops are making in Spain and Portugal. Plymouth, May* 8.

May 8. London. 46. Nicolas de Rebbe to Sec. Calvert. Requests him to deliver to His Majesty the inclosed, which contains a secret advertisement very necessary for the safety of his person. French.

May 8. 47. Jean Ardu to Lord Zouch. Thanks for having restored to him the gold which he brought into England; prays to be heard in his own cause, and will travel whither he may be ordered to have an audience; wishes to devote himself to the study of truth, this being the reason of his coming into the kingdom. French.

May 9. Bromsgrove. 48. Justices for one division of Worcestershire to the Council. Find the people well affected towards the contribution; send a classed list of those who give in proportion to their ability, those who give too little, those who refuse being very few, and those who have not appeared at all.

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May 9. Chichester. 49. Mayor, &c. of Chichester to the Council. Send the names of those who contribute and of those who refuse; the merchants are poor, and not able to give more.

May 9. Donnington. 50. Earl of Huntingdon to the Same. The justices of the county are zealous for the contribution, especially Sir Richard Morrison, but require longer time for payment than the end of May.

May 10. Taunton. 51. Constables of Taunton to the Same. Present a schedule of their small contribution, but have no knights nor men of ability resident in the borough, and the decay of the cloth trade has greatly impoverished the town.

May 10. Beccles. 52. Justices of Suffolk to the Same. The sums subscribed by the county towards the contribution amount to 363*l.* 9*s.* 6*d.*, which is less than they hoped, but the times are so exceedingly hard. Dunwich, Southwold, and Walberswick have petitioned to be excused.

May 10. Hague. 53. Sir Dud. Carleton to Locke. Directions about letting his house at Westminster. Lady Savile is to have the refusal of it.

May 10. Winterbourne. 54. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Their sister Susan is at the point of death.

May 10. Custom House, London. 55. Sir John Wolstenholme to Mr. Billing. Requests him to deliver to the bearer an unopened packet which has arrived from France for the Spanish Ambassador. *Incloses,*

55. 1. *Count Gondomar to the Officers of the Customs.* ***Desires them to give free passage to a packet sent to him from France.*** *London, May* 8. ***Spanish.***

May 10. Licence to Sir Edw. Harwell to make soap, soap-ash, potash, &c., for eleven years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 354.]

May 11. 56. Examination of Rich. Fyle, of Sandwich. The earth in his garden is not fullers' earth, but may be used for scouring baize. Once sold thirty loads of it, at 18*d.* a load, to a Dutchman, who professed to want it for making earthen pots. Told the officers of the port, who gave free leave for its export.

May 11. Dover. 57. Commissioners of Passage at Dover to Lord Zouch. The owner of the French shallop taken by a man-of-war of Rochelle, and brought into Dover, has petitioned for its restoration. Beg instructions. The books lately landed are placed in safe custody, and will be sent to his Lordship.

May 11? 58. Bills of sale for wines, signed "Philemon Powell, John Chambers."

May 11. Dover. 59. Wm. Leonard to Lord Zouch. Has sold the wreck wines in his custody for 153*l.*; refused to pay customs thereon. The French King has sustained heavy loss before Reion, which is at the mouth of the Bordeaux river.

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May 11. Grant to Lady Elizabeth, wife of Sir John Ogle, and to John, Thomas, Cornelius, and Dorothy, his children, born in the Low Countries, of denization. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Warrant dormant to the Treasurer of the Chamber to pay 84*l.* now due, and 84*l.* per ann., to Robt. and John Wood, for their charges in yearly journeys to the North, in providing haggards and cormorants, for the King's disport in fishing. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Grant to Wm. Painter of discharge of the remainder still unpaid of 7,800*l.*, supposed to have been taken from the late Queen Elizabeth by his grandfather, Wm. Painter, in his office as Clerk of the Ordnance. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. London. 60. Chamberlain to Carleton. Had heard of Foscarini's trial, but not of his execution. Thinks it strange that a lady of rank [the Countess of Arundel] should go to the college to justify herself from idle rumours, and wonders at her lingering so long on so little pretence. Barclay's "Argenis" has grown so scarce that the price has risen from 5*s.* to 14*s.*; the King has ordered Ben Jonson to translate it, but he will not be able to equal the original. The States were praised on a false report that they had allowed their god-daughter [the Princess Palatine, Louisa Hollandina] 2,000*l.* a year, and now the 1,000 guilders they have given seems a small pittance. The benevolence fails in the country, though carried on with dexterity. The King is at Greenwich or Eltham, and supped with the Lord Treasurer at Chelsea on May-day. At a masque he sat between Gondomar and Don Carlos de Colonna, the new Spanish Ambassador, who has had his audience. Gondomar invited himself to dine with the Duke and Duchess of Lenox, and named Tobie Matthew for one of the guests. The Duchess of Lenox has got 10,000*l.* which His Majesty promised her to pay her husband's debts, before she consented to the marriage. Lord Falkland's eldest daughter is to be married, in the King's presence, to young Earl Home. Irish Viscounts to be created. Sir Geo. Shirley dead. Dr. Gifford, an English divine, said to be made Archbp. of Rheims. Report of an overthrow of Count Mansfeldt.

May 11. Grant to William, son of Sir Hen. Goring, of Burton, co. Sussex, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Warrant for discharge to the Marquis of Buckingham, of 400*l.*, delivered to him as Master of the Horse, for providing horses for the King, for payment of 71*l.* expended by him therein, and for advance of 400*l.* more. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Warrant to pay to Sir Wm. Russell 1,023*l.*, as the King's gift, in recompence of his service in advancing 15,500*l.* for the King's important affairs, and paying 1,000*l.* in April last for His Majesty's pressing wants; also to pay to him 300*l.*, in lieu of 200*l.* and interest thereon, lent by him in the City loan in 1617. [*Docquet.*]

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May 11. Grant to Wm. Jackson, late clerk, of pardon for horse-stealing. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Warrant to the officers of the port of Chester to suffer Sir Fras. Blundell to transport 1,500 ounces of silver and gilt plate for his necessary use. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Grant to Edw. Sydenham, Page of the Bedchamber, of a pension of 300*l.* per ann., upon surrender of other grants to the same amount. [*Docquet.*]

May 11. Grant to John Leviston of an almsroom in Ely Minster. [*Docquet.*]

May 12. Bath. 61. Mayor, &c. of Bath to the Council. Send a schedule of their contributions, but theirs is "a verie little poore cittie," and clothing much decayed. Have no resident sojourner but Lady Booth, who contributes willingly.

May 13. Mansfield. 62. [Justices] of Nottinghamshire to the Same. None who are able to contribute have refused, but most of the county is in the hands of non-residents.

May 13. Worcester. 63. Mayor, &c. of Worcester to the Same. Have collected the contribution, but the liberties of the city extend scarcely beyond the walls, and the Cathedral and St. Michael's parish are excepted. The city living chiefly by clothing, is much impoverished. *Inclose,*

63. I. *Schedule of moneys collected in Worcester, with names of the contributors, and of some who were summoned, but were absent.*

May 13. Whitehall. 64. The Council to the Justices of Essex. The King is offended that no better attention has been paid to repair of the highways, especially of those frequented by him. If the townships cannot bear the charge of their several roads, the hundreds, or even the whole county, to be taxed, and a return of progress made in twenty days.

May 13. 65. [Justices of Essex] to the Council. Find the complaints of abuses in the manufacture of cloths and stuffs in the county well grounded; they arise chiefly because the makers of new drapery do not consider themselves bound by the statutes for cloth making, and do not adhere to the laws of apprenticeship, so that unskilful people exercise the trade. Also the spinners make their knots too short and thin. Know of no remedy but through their Lordships' authority.

May 13. 66. Commissioners for the expedition against pirates to the Same. Acknowledge that the merchants used the ship Goodwill to carry some of their men to Portsmouth, and that if they claim part of the oil brought back in her, they should pay part of the cost, for which the owner cries out importunately.

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May 13. Harrington House. 67. Countess of Bedford to Carleton. Thinks if the Queen [of Bohemia] likes her Chaplain, she had better keep him, as good preachers will scarcely be induced to go abroad, where no ways of preferment are open. Has received the watch by Sir Edw. Harwood.

May 13. Court. 68. Lord Admiral Buckingham to [Capt. Pennington ?]. The Nonsuch and Dreadnought are to be brought to Chatham and discharged, and also the Spy, unless she have provisions enough to remain to guard the coasts. He is to take command of the Victory and Assurance, to transport Count Gondomar to Spain. If they meet with pirates in going, the Count is to decide whether or not to attack them; if in returning, they are to be attacked, unless the ships will be thereby endangered. Capt. Love is to command as Vice-Admiral.

May 13. 69. Relation by Fras. Beedon, Marshal of Dover Castle. John Wade, Jurat of Dover, reproaching Randolph Partridge for being a Castle man, said the Lord Warden had done some things contrary to the oath by which he swore to uphold the privileges of the Cinque Ports.

May 14. Leicester. 70. Mayor, &c., of Leicester to the Council. Have raised 94*l.* 14*s.* towards the contribution, and send a schedule of the contributors.

May 14. 71. The King to Sir Robt. Heath. To prepare a grant, with survivorship, to Robt. Tichborne and Robt. Seyliard of the office of receivers of the sums levied by the Commissioners for aliens, to be paid by them for licence to continue their trades in England. Also to prepare a warrant for the same to pay the above moneys in equal parts to the Marquis of Buckingham and Earl of Montgomery.

May 14. 72. Abstract of the accounts of Edm. Nicholson, Farmer of Pretermitted Customs at Hull, Newcastle, Sandwich, and Ipswich, from Christmas 1620 to Lady Day 1622. Taken by Sir Fras. Gofton and Sir Rich. Sutton [Auditors of the Exchequer]; with statement by them of inconveniences arising from Nicholson's claim to make up his accounts at Lady Day, whereas those of the Custom officers are made up at Christmas.

May 14. Burton. 73. High Sheriff of Somersetshire to the Council. The disorderly proceedings towards persons going to market with corn are suppressed, but the multitudes of poor spinners, weavers, &c. in the county, now without work, tend to mutiny. Will endeavour to have the peace kept.

May 14. Winterbourne. 74. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Their sister is still alive. Lady Mompesson is dead, and has left Edw. Nicholas and his father trustees to her strange will, made much to the prejudice of her husband.

May [14 ?]. 75. Petition of Chris. Lepton, Goldsmith, to Sir Geo. Calvert. Was committed to Newgate for saying that justice had not been done in his cause against Ann, wife of Edmund Lasenby, and Judith, her maid, whom he indicted for murder, but the verdict was given without hearing his witnesses. Prays for his discharge, his plate having been stolen during his imprisonment.

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May 15. Westminster. 76. The King to Earl Marshal Arundel. There having arisen much confusion about the precedence, &c. of Knights, for want of due registry, all Knights are henceforth to give in a certificate of the date, &c. of their knighthood, within a month after, for enrolment in the Office of Arms, which, if they neglect, they are only to claim precedency from the time when they make their enrolment, not from the date of their creation.

May 15. Crosby House. 77. Merchants of the several trading companies, and Master and Wardens of the Trinity House, to [the Council]. Have considered the propositions of Sir Thos. Roe's letter for suppression of pirates. Think the captives lately taken should be redeemed by treaty, but owing to the decay of trade, it is impossible to raise another contribution for suppressing pirates. Think the trade may be better secured if the ships going southward sail together in fleets, &c. If that fail, trade with Turkey will have to be abandoned, and letters of reprisal on the Grand Seignior's subjects requested.

May 15. 78. [Justices of Essex] to the Same. No new draperies, baize, or fustians are made in the country; but the makers of worsted and says confess that the manufacture of stuffs by persons who have never served apprenticeship, and the want of statutes to enforce the keeping of journeymen, cause much false making of worsted, and deserve reformation.

May 15. Pool. 79. Mayor, &c. of Pool to the Same. Request acceptance of their willing contribution of 22*l.* 6*s.* The decay of trade, losses by pirates, and by the contribution towards suppressing them, prevent their giving more to so important a service.

May 15. Winchester. 80. Justices of part of Hampshire to the Same. The smallness of contributions is through the poverty of the people, not through negligence. Alton division sends 254*l.* 10*s.* 4*d.*, Portsdown, 211*l.* 19*s.* 10*d.*, and New Forest, 162*l.* 11*s.* 4*d.*

May 15. 81. Justices of Somersetshire to the Same. The county is sensible of the calamities of the King's children in Germany, and the danger to religion, which is the greater from the daily increase of English Papists in numbers and insolency, but the manner of levying the contribution is thought a dangerous precedent. This fear, with the poverty of the county from decay of cloth trade, makes the contributions small. There is great want of money; the breed of cattle is decayed by import of Irish cattle, wools and cloth are grown almost valueless, the people desperate for want of work, and harvest prospects bad.

May 15. Derby. 82. Justices, &c., of Derbyshire to the Same. To the like effect. Have sent schedules of subscribers to the contribution, and appointed fit collectors.

May 15. 83. Sir Nich. Stoddart to [the Same]. Has been ordered to attend about a free gift for the Palatinate, but is so oppressed by debt as hardly to be able to maintain his family.

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May 15. Dover. 84. Pastors and Elders of the French Congregation at Dover to Lord Zouch. Thanks for the courtesy with which they have been received at Dover. Would have written earlier, but hoped to see his Lordship there. French.

May 15. Longton. 85. Earl of Leicester to Carleton. The King has his old complaint, but went yesterday to Theobalds. Little hope of peace in France. Lord Doncaster is returning thence. Gondomar is visiting Visct. Montague at Cowdry, or Mr. Cotton at Warblington, till his ship is ready at Portsmouth.

May 16. Whitehall. 86. Earl of Arundel and Surrey to the Same. The Countess of Arundel, being at Venice, was accused of allowing Antonio Foscarini to meet the Pope's Nuncio, and other foreign ministers, secretly at her house; but on complaining thereof to the State, she received ample satisfaction, and was even seated by the Doge in the Colleggio. She is detained there by the illness of their second son, but hopes to see the Queen of Bohemia on her way home.

May 16. Lambeth. 87. Sentence of deprivation [by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners], against John Arwyn, Perpetual Vicar of Bethesden, co. Kent, for drunkenness. Latin.

May ? 88. Petition of Jas. Hamilton, Lord Paisley, to the King. Complains of the delay of the officers of the Crown Office in passing the proclamation for reforming abuses in making starch, by which the Corporation are unable to proceed.

May 16. Theobalds. Proclamation of the King's grant to the Starchmakers, of incorporation, for the remedy of abuses in making starch of wheat, &c., which might be used for food, and in erecting starch-houses in places where the smell is injurious. All who make starch, not being of the company, are to be brought before the Star Chamber. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 101.]

May 17. Portsmouth. 89. Mayor of Portsmouth to the Council. Sends a schedule of the names and sums subscribed for the contribution.

May 17. Winterbourne. 90. Matt. Nicholas to [Edw. Nicholas]. Their sister is somewhat better. Suggests some mottoes for the wedding ring.

May 17. Truro. 91. Sir Fras. Vivian and others to the Council. Did not receive their letters of Feb. 24 till May 3. Have examined the Mayors of Truro and Penryn according to instructions. *Inclose,*

91. I. *Answer of Thos. Lukey, Mayor of Penryn. Received a letter from Council, ordering stay of all prizes brought in by Rochellers, and sent it to the officer of Pendennis Castle, Falmouth, and the Mayor of Truro, that they might see and copy it. On Jan.* 11, *the proprietors of two French vessels, just brought into Falmouth by Rochellers, entreated him to make stay of them. Sent off messengers at once, but the ships had sailed, and were beyond Pendennis Castle, before their arrival. Did not neglect the orders of Council.*

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91. II. *Answer of Rich. Daniel, Mayor of Truro. Saw the letter from Council, directing stay of French prizes, but never heard of those brought into Truro by the Rochellers till they were gone, nor of any claim of proprietorship in them. Was ill at the time with a broken leg.*

May 17. Faversham. 92. Thos. Fulnetby to Lord Zouch. The cargo of a French boat, taken by a Rocheller, was sold at sea. Will stay her if she comes into port, but she intends to unload elsewhere.

May 18. 93. Sir Fras. Gofton to Sir Clem. Edmondes. Hopes the enclosed will give the Lords full satisfaction, and if the troublesome man is not now satisfied, can do no more. *Inclose,*

93. I. *The Same and Sir Rich. Sutton, Auditors [of the Exchequer, to the Council]. Send an account prefixed of the receipts and payments of Abm. Dawes and John Harrison, collectors of pretermitted customs in the outports, since Feb.* 25, 1621. *Think Mr. Nicholson has no interest in it, except in his annuity of* 1,010*l. therefrom, which is duly paid, and that the only ground of difference is the time of settlement of the accounts, &c. May* 18.

May 18. Whitehall. 94. The Council to Lord Zouch. To take a general muster of all the trained bands of the Cinque Ports, the yearly musters proving very beneficial, and the state of Christendom rendering it necessary to provide for the safety of the realm. The forces are to be always in readiness, especially to suppress any tumultuous assemblies, such as have lately happened in the western parts.

May 19. Lyme Regis. 95. Mayor, &c. of Lyme-Regis to the Council. Have collected the contribution, but it is very small, the town being greatly impoverished by the troubles in France and the piracies of Turks on the coasts of Spain.

May 19. 96. Petition of Edw. Harward to Lord Zouch. Complains that Lawrence Baker has deprived him of 30*l.* per ann., for eight years past, by means of a forged will, and keeps him in prison on an unjust judgment given against him; begs that Baker may either restore his rights or accept his offer of a compromise.

May 20. 97. Justices of Suffolk to the Council. Sam. Salmon, clothier, of Creeting, long a high constable, has incurred great debts by losses in the cloth trade; most of his creditors accept his offers of composition, but some refuse, whereby he may be ruined, and his 200 workpeople thrown out of employ; request protection for him from their arrests, for three years, till he has settled with his other creditors.

May 20. Guildhall. 98. Edw. Barkham, Mayor, and the Recorder and Aldermen of London, to the Same. Although in a sudden disturbance that arose in the Court of Aldermen, on the remonstrance of a constable against a Council warrant for his apprehension, some persons said

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it was usual in such cases to have recourse to the Lord Mayor, yet the City pleads no right for non-execution of Council warrants without acquainting the Lord Mayor.

May 20. Burton. 99. [High Sheriff] of Somersetshire to the Council. The riotous assemblies about corn are suppressed; sends rolls of the contribution from his division of the county.

May 20. 100. [Justices of] Anglesey to the Same. Will give two whole subsidies to the contribution themselves, but many of the parties summoned refuse altogether on account of their losses for want of sale of cattle; the rest will give one subsidy, viz., 4*s.* in the pound on lands, and 2*s.* 8*d.* on goods. Send their names.

May 20. Whitehall. 101. The Council to Lord Zouch. To examine John Ardu, a French friar, who professes to wish to conform, and attends the French church at Dover, and to liberate him if no cause appear to the contrary.

May 20. Pool. 102. Mayor of Pool to the Council. The captain of a Rochelle man-of-war offered to restore some goods which he had taken, and which he thought belonged to the English; has stayed his prize, which he brought into the port, and waits directions thereon.

May 21. Winterbourne. 103. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Their sister has relapsed into a violent fever, &c.

May 21. 104. Locke to Carleton. The States' Commissioners and those of England often meet, but conclude on nothing. Lord Falkland is not yet gone to Ireland; the King permits him to sell his place [of Comptroller of the Household] as he best can; it is thought it will be to Visct. Grandison.

May 22. Pinkie. 105. Earl of Dunfermline to Robt. Abercromby. Requests delivery of a letter to the Venetian Ambassador.

May 22. Lambeth. 106. The Archbp. of Canterbury and twelve Bishops to the Council. Report, at the King's request, their opinion that the doctrine in the book of David Pareus on the Epistle to the Romans, that subordinate magistrates may rise against their Prince if he interfere with religion, is most dangerous and seditious. Leave the further branding of the book to the Council. *Inclose,*

106. I. *Declaration by the Archbp. of Canterbury and twelve Bishops, on a sermon preached at Oxford by Mr. Knight, tending to sedition and rebellion, that they consider the positions of Pareus and others, on which it was founded, contrary to Scripture and the Church of England, and therefore caution the heads of colleges, &c. to beware of allowing students in divinity to read them, but rather to study the Scriptures, the fathers, and the constitutions, canons and writers of the Church of England.*

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May 22. Sheriff Hutton. 107. [Justices] of the Wapentake of Bulmer, in the North Riding of Yorkshire, to the Council. Send schedules of their own contributions and those of others in the Wapentake; but the last bad harvest and reduction in price of cattle and wool make it only small.

May 22. Liverpool. 108. Mayor, &c. of Liverpool to the Same. Request acceptance of their contribution.

May 23. Wells. 109. Mayor, &c. of Wells to the Same. The people are willing to spend their blood in His Majesty's quarrel, but the decay of clothing so increases the number of poor that riots are constantly threatening; beg His Majesty's acceptance of the small amounts that can be given, many of which will have to be raised by borrowing.

May 24. Emneth. 110. Justices of the Hundred of Freebridge in Marshland to the Same. Have contributed as much as they can, but their lands are subject to many inundations and casualties.

May 24. Commission to Sir Rich. Morrison and Sir John Hay to sell the ammunition in the Tower. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

May 25. Presentation of Fras. Cooper to the Prebend or Canonry of Middleton, alias Long Parish. [*Ibid., p.* 352.]

May 25. Northampton. 111. Mayor, &c. of Northampton to the Council. Have themselves freely contributed, but the decay of the town prevents the general contribution from being good. Send schedules of those who promise and those who refuse to pay.

May 25. 112. Bond of Nich. Cardine, of Dieppe, master of the shallop Gift of God, and John Stanton, of Dover, in 8*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for delivery to Cardine of the said shallop, taken by the Rochellers and brought into Dover Harbour.

May 25. 113. Memorandum by Nich. Cardine and his crew of receipt of the above shallop, and of their kind and friendly usage by the Lord Warden and his officers, and the inhabitants of Dover.

May 26. 114. Petition of the owners of the bark Hunter to Lord Zouch, for renewal of his warrant to release the said bark and net produce of her cargo, it being proved to be no pirate, but acting under letters of marque from Count Maurice and the States.

May 26. 115. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] of the additional charge of the Victory, Dreadnought, Assurance, and Nonsuch, while lying in the river six weeks beyond the time for which they were victualled. Total, 1,232*l.*

May 27. 116. Petition of Jas. Wilcox to the Council. John Clark, late Mayor of Hereford, taxed the city with 300*l.*, expense of the new charter, which they refuse to pay, as the charter did not prove beneficial to the city, but was got up for the benefit of Clark, who wished to secure to himself the place of Town Clerk for life. Appeal was made thereon to the Council, and the matter referred first to the

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inhabitants of the city, then to the President of Wales, and lastly, to Sir Walter Pye and John Hoskins. Requests dismissal, with payment of expenses, being summoned on the cause, though living under the Bishop's fee, and therefore exempt from all taxations. With reference thereon to Pye and Hoskins.

May 27. 117. Bishop, Dean, and Canons of Hereford to the Council. Complain that some Mayors and Aldermen of the city have lately invaded the rights and liberties of the Dean and Chapter, and that although the differences between them and the city are referred for settlement to Sir Walter Pye and John Hoskins, yet James Wilcox, Bishop's tenant, has been summoned for nonpayment towards the city charter; request that if the case is heard before counsel, the charters of both the city and cathedral may be produced, and that meanwhile suits against individuals may be suspended.

May 27. Grant to Rich. Cartwright of licence to hold a market every week, and two fairs yearly, in the borough of Aynho, co. Northampton. [*Grant Bk., p.* 352.]

May 28. Inner Temple. 118. Sir Thos. Coventry and Sir Robt. Heath to [the Council]. Send a draft of a letter of assistance for the patentee for suppressing logwood, which they think legal and agreeable to precedent, but dare not decide on the expediency of such letters.

May 29. 119. Commissioners of the Navy to the Same. Complain of frequent desertions from the service, and pray for exemplary punishment of seven fugitives lately apprehended, the law thereon being somewhat defective.

May 29. 120. [Justices of the division of Basingstoke, Hampshire] to the Same. Send schedules of the contributions in their divisions, amounting to 235*l.* 15*s.*; also the names of those refusing to contribute.

May 3. Ripon. 121. Mayor, &c. of Ripon to the Same. The town consists chiefly of poor handicraftsmen. Send schedules of contributors, and of those who refuse, or who will not contribute fitting amounts.

May 31. Barnstaple. 122. Mayor, &c. of Barnstaple to the Same. The people plead late heavy taxations and decay of trade,—400 poor being now relieved by the town, and the inhabitants having many of their goods in Rochelle,—as reasons why they can offer so little to the contribution.

[May.] 123. The late Burgesses of Shafton [Shaftesbury] to the Same. Are unable to raise any contribution, their corporation being dissolved, by default of the Steward of the Court Leet refusing to swear the Mayor elect, but will subscribe in the county.

May 31? 124. [Committee of Council to the Same.] Report on the case between Massey, Clerk of the Sewers, and Bridges, Under Sheriff [of Cambridgeshire], that certain fines set on Sir John Cage, the High Sheriff in 1609, were afterwards declared unlawful; but that order not being entered in the books, Massey certified their nonpayment into the Exchequer, and was prosecuted by the High Sheriff for so doing; think that Massey should be freed from such

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suits, and the High Sheriff and Under Sheriff from the heavy fines imposed in 1609; but as Sir John Cage, High Sheriff, has appealed to the towns to defend their right, and received contributions from them towards the suit, he should be fined 300*l.* for this improper conduct.

May 31. Whitehall. 125. Order in Council, recapitulating the above report, and adopting the decisions therein recommended.

May 31. 126. Justices of Essex to Sir Clement Edmondes. Think it needful for the service of the highways that a Commission of Oyer and Terminer be appointed for two or three years; also that some of the judges be authorized to explain certain doubtful points in the Statutes for highways, which much hinder the service.

May 31. Greenwich. 127. Petition of Sam. Ward, Preacher of Ipswich, to the King, that as His Majesty has promised to pardon his errors, and restore him to his former liberties, or otherwise to provide for him, he may be allowed meanwhile to preach in Ipswich, or to have his cause heard before the Council. With reference thereon.

May 31. 128. Bond of Peter Priaulx, of Southampton, and others, in 240*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for surrender of 400 crowns, which they claim as rightful owners, being part of a sum of 4,000*l.*, taken out of a Flemish bark by Fleurie, Captain of a ship-of-war of Rochelle, and left in custody of the Mayor of Rye, &c.

[May.] 129. Notes of actions for debt brought by Ralph Brooke, York Herald, in the Court of Common Pleas, in Hilary Term last, against John Philpott, Rouge Dragon, for his share of fees at the Prince's first tilt, and at the funeral of the late Queen Anne; also against Sir Wm. Segar, Garter, Wm. Camden, Clarencieux, and Sir Rich. St. George, Norroy, for his share of fees on the creation of eighty-five Baronets; also, this present Easter Term, against Sampson Lennard, Bluemantle, for usurping his office at a funeral, and taking his fees and perquisites.

May? 130. Account of an entire subsidy collected from the laity, specifying the amounts contributed by the several counties, towns, boroughs, &c. in England and Wales. Total 71,382*l.* 10*s.* 2*d.*

May. 131. Table of the Fees of the Clerk of Assizes on the Western Circuit.

May? 132. Petition of Nath. Butler to Sir Geo. Calvert. Was committed to the custody of a messenger, by the Archbp. of Canterbury, twenty-eight days since, for printing a book concerning the Emperor; acknowledges his fault, and prays release, on bail to be always ready to confirm his confession.

May? 133. Petition of the Same to the Same, to the same effect.

May? 134. Petition of Robt. Dure, on behalf of Thos. Martin and others, Merchants of St. Malo in France, to the Council. Their ship was taken by a Rochelle pinnace, and brought into Plymouth, where the officers of the Admiralty refused to take it into charge, but aided

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their captors in embezzling and selling the goods therein, and in maltreating and imprisoning the master and mariners, and finally sold the ship for a very small sum. Request that Sir Edw. Seymour, Jas. Bagg, and Thos. Harding, the Admiralty officers, may be called before them to answer for their conduct. *Annexing,*

134. I. *Statement by Robt. Dure, of the capture of the ship Mary, of St. Malo, of the refusal of the Admiralty officers of Plymouth to restore it, the entry of the ship in the Custom House registers, under the false name of Gabriel Valea, a Rocheller, who pretended to have bought it, and of the partial dealings of the Admiralty Court therein.*

134. II. *Articles by Robt. Dure against the Commissioners of the Admiralty Court, giving the proofs on his own part in the above cause, and stating in detail the proceedings of the Court.*

May? 135. —— Brooke to Lady [Eleanor] Davies. Reproaches her for abuse of his wife and innocent child. Declares she has abandoned all goodness and modesty, is mad, ugly, blinded with pride of birth, &c.; threatens to scratch a mince-pie out of her, and wishes her, as the most horrible of curses, to remain just what she is.

May? 136. Notes of points to be represented to Council for reduction of the King's expenses, viz.: settlement of salaries of Ambassadors at 4*l.*, and of Agents at 2*l.*, per day; their expenses of transport to be fixed, and their secret intelligence money limited to 400*l.* a year; also, that they provide and pay their own secretaries; extraordinary Ambassadors to have from 5*l.* to 10*l.* a day, according to their rank, &c. Also, that several expensive and ruinous forts and castles be sold, and the money employed in repairing the rest; with note that a new fort is required at the mouth of the river at Chatham Also that the King be requested to grant no more reversions of offices; that supernumerary officers be allowed to fall by lapse, &c.

May? 137. Copy of the above.

May? 138. Petition of John Knight, prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the King, for pardon for a sermon which he preached at St. Peter's, Oxford, maintaining the lawfulness, in some cases, of resisting kingly power. Spoke on the authority of Pareus, a writer much honoured in the University, whom he believed orthodox, and not from Jesuitic or Puritanic disloyalty. Detests his error, and will ever maintain the contrary doctrine.

May? 139. Copy of the above, with slight variations.

May? 140. Petition of the Drapers of England to the Commissioners [for cloth trade]. The decay of their trade arises from inexperienced persons manufacturing cloth; pray that clothiers, dyers, weavers, tuckers, cloth workers, and others who deal in cloth, may be restricted to their proper trades, and cloth searched and sealed before it is sold.

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May? 141. Complaint of the Drapers of England to [the Commissioners for the cloth trade]. The decay is caused chiefly by the deceitful making of cloth; these deceits are encouraged by the corruption or remissness of the alnagers, by the cloth being sold privately instead of in public markets, and by interlopers into the trade, &c.; also by night funerals, and the wearing of stuffs which hinder the sale of cloth. Suggest for remedy the encouragement of the drapers, as the principal pillars of woollen manufacture.

May? 142. Answer made to the Council by the Drapers of London to the arguments of the clothmakers, who wish not to be prevented from selling cloth themselves by retail.

May? 143. Notes on the reasons of and remedies for the decay of the cloth trade in England, viz.: heavy customs and duties, too free export of wool and fullers' earth, &c. With notes of the profits yielded by the sale abroad of 1,000*l.* worth of cloth.

May? 144. Suggested regulations, to be established by proclamation without Parliament, for redress of deceits practised in the manufacture of the new draperies, whereby trade is much injured.

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June 1. London. 1. Sir Rich. Harrison to Lady Carleton. Thinks her devotion to the Queen [of Bohemia] will make her forget other friends. Is sorry she did not come to England; were it but to persuade her mother [Lady Savile] not to adopt the expensive plan of living in London.

June 1? 2. Petition of Hen. Herring and Evan Price, poor men of Hereford, to the Council. Are summoned to London by Pursuivants for nonpayment of 20*s.* each, levied on them for expenses of the new Charter for the City, procured three years before; although Herring is exempt as dwelling in the Canons' fee, and although the Judges of assize have decided that the Charter should be paid for from the common fund, not from the purses of the poor inhabitants. Beg exemption from the charge, and freedom to return home.

June 1. 3. Sir Walter Pye and John Hoskins to [the President of Wales]. Find that Walter Jones, Evan Price, and Hen. Herring are freemen of the city of Hereford, and therefore subject to the assessment laid on them. Jas. Wilcox claims exemption, as within the Bishop's liberty, and the Bishop requests time to prove that he is so.

June 1. Minching Hampton. 4. Justices of Gloucestershire to the Council. The distress of the weavers and other poor depending upon the trade of clothing is such

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that the county is oppressed, and no vigilance can long prevent disturbances, the clothiers' trade growing worse and worse. *Inclose,*

4. I. *Statement by Sir Wm. Guise, that Rich. Webb, Weaver of King's Stanley, privately warned him that 500 very poor men intended to come to him with staves, to make known their wants; and that they had talked of stopping the troughs going down the river, with malt from Gloucester.*

4. II. *Examination of Rich. Webb. Certifies the truth of the above statement, but refuses to name the parties concerned, fearing to bring himself and others into danger.*

June 2. Pool. 5. Mayor of Pool to the Same. Has not failed, as accused, in due respect and entertainment to the King's ships; but the crews have left unpaid debts of 60*l.* due to divers poor victuallers and others, when they departed for Portsmouth, which, if not paid, will undo many poor people.

June 2. Winterbourne. 6. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Deplores the death of their sister Susan. Is returning to Oxford.

June 3. Westminster. 7. Decree of the Court of Exchequer in the cause of Martha, widow of Rich. Gravenor, against Edw. Lord Dudley, recapitulating former decrees, whereby Lord Dudley and his son, Sir Ferd. Dudley, lately deceased, were pledged to pay 1,000*l.* to the plaintiff, in lieu of her interest in a messuage, and 1,000 acres of meadow land in Sedgley, Staffordshire, leased to her by the late Lord Dudley; the present Lord, failing in performance, is now ordered to discharge the sum still unpaid, with 100*l.* additional for the charges in the suit.

June 4. Carlisle. 8. [Justices of Cumberland] to the Earl of Cumberland and Henry Lord Clifford, Lord Lieutenants of Cumberland, Westmoreland, and Northumberland. Think the small voluntary contribution, which is all they can raise at present, will rather be rejected by than pleasing to the State. The people plead the late subsidies, dearness of corn, and want of money.

June 4. Carlisle. 9. [Justices of Cumberland] to the Council. The absence of some and poverty of others hinder the success of their endeavours to raise the contribution in their poor and barren county; crave further time.

June 4. 10. Petition of Robt. Garrett, Mayor of Dover, prisoner in the Marshalsea, to the Same. Acknowledges his error in not staying the man-of-war of Rochelle which came ashore at Dover. Has sinned ignorantly, not intentionally, and prays release.

June 4. Grant to Dan. Wood and Rich. Andrew of lease of two parts of the manors and lands of Rutland Molyneux, recusant, in trust for payment of his debts, and maintenance of his wife and children, reserving a rent of 20*l.* to the King. [*Docquet.*]

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June 4. Warrant to Sir John Hare to take care of the game in Norfolk, for the sport and recreation of gentlemen and persons of quality, who are much abused by mean persons keeping lurchers and poaching dogs. [*Docquet.*]

June 4. Grant to John Clerke, in reversion after Fras. Ingolsby, of the office of Keeper of the Armoury at Greenwich. [*Docquet.*]

June 5? 11. Request that the King would recall his permission to the Dutch and French congregations to work at any trades in towns, and would also prohibit the importation of narrow silk manufactures, on account of injury to native manufactures accruing therefrom.

June 5. 12. Petition of the French and Dutch Churches in the kingdom to the King, for exemption from the jurisdiction of the commission for regulation of aliens, as they support their own churches, pay double rates to their parish churches, and are the means of employing many English; his Majesty having also granted them, in June 1616, freedom from the molestation of informers, for not complying with the laws of apprenticeship.

June? 13. [The King to the French and Dutch Churches]. Has considered their petition, and is wishful to continue his favour to strangers, but cannot in justice neglect the complaints of his own subjects. Requires them to conform to the directions of his Commissioners, who will permit them, under certain conditions, to continue their former liberties, though some are beyond the bounds of law.

[June 5.] 14. Abstract [by the Commissioners for aliens and others] of a proposed Royal Warrant for a yearly survey of all strangers residing in England, and their professions; also for orders to be taken for their regulation. [*See Fœd., vol.* XVII., *p.* 374.]

June 5? 15. Table of rates which the Commissioners [for Strangers] conceive fit to be paid by strangers born, denizens or not denizens, &c.

June 6. 16. Warrants [from Council] to the Keeper of the Marshalsea to receive Sir Art. Aston, and to John Poulter to bring Alice Bankey before the Council.

[June 6.] 17. [Order in Council] that the Mayor of Dover, committed to prison for not staying a French pirate that had robbed some Italians, be liberated, on depositing 4*l.* and promising to pay as much more as the Italians can prove to have been taken from them.

June 6. Kingston-upon-Hull. 18. Mayor, &c. of Kingston-upon-Hull to the Council. Beg acceptance of 132*l.* 6*s.* 2*d.* towards recovering the Palatinate; the decay of trade, losses by sea, and the general dearth, prevent their raising more.

June 6. Hereford. 19. Mayor, &c. of Hereford to the Same. Inclose a schedule of contributors; will pay in the money by the time limited.

June 6? 20. Petition of the Clothiers of North Wales, and of the town and neighbourhood of Oswestry, to the Same, that being much injured

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by the late grant of freedom for the sale of Welsh cloths, whereby the market is drawn from Oswestry to Shrewsbury, the former orders for its being held at Oswestry may be renewed, or the cause referred to the Lord President of Wales and Chief Justice of Chester.

June 6? 21. Reasons in behalf of the clothiers in North Wales for re-establishing their ancient market in Oswestry; the Shrewsbury drapers, by refusing to come there to buy, have ruined many families. Request that it may be the only market for Welsh cloths.

[June 6.] 22. Petition of the Bailiffs, Burgesses, and Inhabitants of Oswestry to the King, for continance of their cloth-market, their trade being ruined by the drapers of Shrewsbury, who, since the market was made free to all, refuse to come to Oswestry to buy. *Annexing.*

22. I. *Justices and Gentlemen of Merionethshire and Montgomeryshire to the Council. Remonstrate against the removal of the Welsh cloth-market from Oswestry to Shrewsbury. Intreat that it may be re-established at Oswestry, and that the Welsh clothiers may exchange their cloths with merchants bringing grain, &c. to the seaports of North Wales. Nov.* 6, 1621.

22. II. *Lieutenants and Justices of Peace of Denbighshire and Oswestry to the Same. To the same effect.*

June 6. 23. Order in Council referring to the Attorney General the petitions from North Wales and Oswestry, for immediate consideration of a remedy to the inconveniences complained of.

June 7. Grant to Sir Fras. Ashby, of Harefield, co. Middlesex, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Grant to John Darrell, of Westwood Hey, co. Berks, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Warrant to pay to the Earl of Montgomery 1,800*l.*, for a chain of pearls sold by him to the King. [*Docquet.*]

June 7. Warrant to pay certain sums to Lord Stanhope, to clear the arrears of the office of Postmaster General, and to discharge the future expenses of the office. [*Docquet.*]

June 8. London. 24. Chamberlain to Carleton. A Cabinet Council is talked of, to which the most secret and important business may be committed. The King is vainly petitioned to allow greater freedom to the Earl of Oxford and Sir Robt. Phelips. Lord Say and Sir Jerome Horsey are committed for dissuading the benevolence. Buckingham made

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Lieutenant of Middlesex, a place not usually granted. Dr. White and Bp. Laud have reconverted the Countess of Buckingham to her mother church, but the danger of leaving Court was the most pregnant motive. Visct. Purbeck is frenzied, and his lady petitions for alimony, which Buckingham promises himself to provide. The Bp. of London is to preach at Paul's Cross, and then Pareus' works are to be publicly burned. Sir John Eyre has returned from Constantinople, and is much complained of by the Turkey merchants. M. Soubise has arrived from Rochelle to ask succours, which the King is in no condition to grant.

June 8. Note that Sir Art. Aston's answer [to Council] was sent to the Russian Ambassador. [*Dom. Corresp., June* 6.]

June 8. 25. [Justices of Westmoreland?] to the Council. Have had great difficulty in raising any contributions in their small and barren county; excuse the smallness of the sums named in their schedule.

June 8. London. 26. Mayor of Dover to Lord Zouch. The Council on his petition have ordered him to enter a bond for 100*l.* Begs that the bond may be claimed and proved only within his Lordship's jurisdiction. *Incloses,*

26. 1. *Bond of Robt. Garrett, Mayor of Dover and others, in* 100*l.*, *to pay to certain Italians, plundered by a French pirate in the precincts of the King's dominion, the amount of their loss, the Mayor not having stayed the said pirate when he touched at the port of Dover, as he should have done. June* 8.

June 9. Kimble. 27. John Dewe to Sir Jerome Horsey. The overseers for the poor of Little Missenden state that, wanting to know what is to be done with the poor money, they were referred to Chris. Hampden or to Sir Jerome; that they applied to Sir Jerome, who postponed any reply, as did Sir Fras. Goodwin and Sir Thos. Leigh, at Aylesbury. Private affairs.

June 10. Lathom. 28. Earl of Derby to the Council. Desires renewal of his commission of lieutenancy for Lancashire and Cheshire, with power to increase the number of his deputy lieutenants, and to appoint substitutes for Sir Edm. Trafford, Sir Rich. Aston, Robt. Hesketh, and Rich. Holland, deceased. Recommends Sir John Radcliffe and Sir Cecil Trafford.

June 14. Morpeth. 29. [Justices] of Northumberland to the Same. Send lists of contributors and non-contributors [for the benevolence]. Fear the sums promised will seem small, but many of the people are starving, owing to the bad harvest, decay of cattle, and prohibition of export of their coarse wools, which cause the breaking up of many farmers.

June 14. Durham. 30. Sheriff and others of Durham to the Same. The delay in sending their schedule of contributions has been occasioned by a great inundation; they come much below the sum named by their Lordships, because of want of sale of wools, scarcity of corn, and the large sum already lent to the Prince Palatine.

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June 14. Grant of incorporation for [Trinity] Hospital, built by the Archbp. of Canterbury at Guildford; with licence to purchase for its endowment lands in mortmain, value 300*l.* per ann., besides the house and site of the hospital. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. Grant to Wm. Williams, of Vaynol, co. Caernarvon, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. Grant to Leonard Bautrey and his sureties, of protection for one year. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. Command to the Lord Chancellor and officers of the Exchequer to cause certain articles of directions conceived by them, for the due levying, receiving, and accounting for the revenue, to be enrolled upon tables, and put in execution. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. Warrant for delivery of stuff to Cuthbert Joyner, Serjeant of the Vestry, for the use of the chapel. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. Warrant [from Council] for Capt. Thos. Whitmore to carry over voluntaries [for the service of the King of Spain]. [*Dom. Corresp., June* 6.]

June 15. 31. Edw. Clark to [Sir John Lambe]. Refused at first the money brought him for the Greenwich collection, knowing nothing of the business, but will send what he has since received, and will also pay the small balance in his hands for the benevolence; has given the chief of it to Mr. Boswell.

June 15. Southampton. 32. Mayor, &c. of Southampton to the Council. Send up their contribution of 47*l.* 11*s.* 2*d.*

June 15. Aylesbury. 33. Thos. Lane to Sir Albert Morton. Begs to be excused attending the Council till Thursday, being occupied about the benevolence. *Annexing,*

33. 1. *Note from Thos. Trussell, Messenger of the Chamber, that Chris. Hampden desires to be excused attendance, on account of illness, but will send some one to answer for him.*

June 15. Theobalds. 34. Petition of Sir And. Boyd to the King, for a grant of two thirds of the bonds forfeited by divers shippers for transporting coals from Newcastle-upon-Tyne, without submitting to the survey, having spent much time and money on his patent for survey, and reaped no benefit, owing to the obstinate resistance to it. With order to the Lord Treasurer to grant the petitioner such forfeited bonds as he thinks meet.

June 15. 35. Locke to [Carleton]. The Venetian Ambassador, Signor Lando, was knighted on taking leave, and has an addition made to his arms. The merchants charge Sir John Eyre with extorting 3,000*l*

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more than his due, from the English at Constantinople. Captains arrive daily with licences to raise volunteers for the King of Spain. Sends a copy of a proclamation against exporting coin, &c.

June 15. 36. Edw. Barkham, Lord Mayor of London, and others, to the Council. Recommend the petition inclosed of London refiners of sugar, whose trade has been much encroached on by foreigners. The general deadness of trade in the city makes it necessary to encourage English manufactures. *Inclose,*

36. 1. *Petition of the Merchants and Refiners of Sugar to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen, for their influence with Council to obtain protection from the encroachments of aliens in all trades, but especially for suppression of a sugar refining house, lately established by Mat. de Quester and Giles de Butt [Van Pute], at St. Katherine's, which, though out of the City, will be as injurious to them as one formerly erected in the City, and put down by their Lordships.*

June 15. 37. Sir Thos. Coventry to the Same. The revocation by Proclamation of the orders restraining the market for Welsh cloths and cottons to Oswestry, was occasioned by complaints thereon made in Parliament. The inhabitants of Wales desire a continuance of the market there, but wish liberty to exchange their wools elsewhere if they please. Thinks the market should be restored to Oswestry provisionally, until any valid objection against it can be shown by the drapers of Shrewsbury or others. [*See June* 6 *and* 26.]

June 17. Greenwich. 38. The King to the Same. Desires them to dismiss the suit of John Bargrave against Sir Thos. Smith; it is pursued only for molestation, the cause having been already decided against Bargrave by the Lord Keeper.

June 17. Hythe. 39. Mayor and Jurats of Hythe to Lord Zouch. Have seized certain articles bought by Sam. Sampson from a ship of war of Rochelle, which she had taken from a French merchantman at sea, although they were bought before the arrival of their Lordships' prohibition.

June 18. Ipswich. 40. Matt. Brownrigg and other Eastland merchants of Ipswich to the Governor and Assistants of the Eastland Company. Have sent, according to their desire, to treat with the clothiers concerning purchase of their cloths, but the high prices they ask show that they are unwilling to sell; they depend on obtaining licence from the Council to export their cloths, which, if granted, would so unsettle trade as to prove a greater inconvenience than those complained of. *Inclose,*

40. 1. *List of prices asked [by five Suffolk clothiers] for their cloths, varying from* 9*l.* *to* 13*l.* *per cloth.*

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June 18. Haslingfield. 41. Justices of Cambridgeshire to Sir Albert Morton. Request permission for Wm. Neale, of Melbourn, to continue to keep an inn there, notwithstanding the proclamation revoking licences for inns, as his house stands in a thoroughfare where an inn is required.

June 18. Norton. 42. [Justices] of the Wapentake of Buckrose, East Riding of Yorkshire, to the Council. Inclose a schedule of contribution; its smallness is occasioned not by disaffection, but by poverty, owing to loss of cattle, scarcity of corn, &c.

June 18. Chichester. 43. Mayor and Justices of Chichester to Lord Treasurer Cranfield. To take order to compel John Bayley and Thos. Diggons, collectors of the contribution, to carry up the money and pay it into the Exchequer, which they wilfully refuse to do.

June 18. Grant to John Scudamore, the King's servant, of the benefit of two recognizances of 150*l.* each, forfeited by Rich. Gunter for non-appearance at the assizes in Sussex. [*Docquet.*]

June 18. Grant to Judith Wheeler of the benefit of the outlawries of Sir Edw. Burton and Sir Wm. Foster, until she has received 270*l.*, they being outlawed for debts due to her. [*Docquet.*]

June 18. Warrant to the Exchequer to discharge Sir John Bourchier and others, farmers of the alum works, of divers sums of money and arrears of rent, payable to the King under indenture 8 Jac I., or otherwise, for the said alum works, it being found on examination that they ought in equity to be freed therefrom. [*Docquet.*]

June 18. Grant to Dr. Rich. Chamber of dispensation to hold the parsonage of Sutton, diocese of Chichester, along with other benefices which may hereafter be procured by him. [*Docquet.*]

June 19. 44. Warrant from Council to Hen. Smith and Thos. Wright, Messengers of the King's Chamber, to stay the ship Centurion, sold to Frenchmen, and now lying off the Isle of Wight, until sufficient security be given for return of the ship and its ordnance to England.

June 19? 45. Memorandum of a pass for Lewis Dieper to return with his wife and children.

June 19? 46. Warrant from Council to a messenger of the Chamber, to apprehend Capt. Fleurie, and bring him to answer accusations.

[June 19.] 47. Bill of charges to [Wm.] Lithgow, prisoner in the Marshalsea, for nine weeks' board, committal fees, and necessaries in sickness, 13*l.* 11*s.* 8*d.*

June 20. Sephton. 48. Sir Rich. Molyneux to Sir Clement Edmondes. Desires an increase in the number of Deputy Lieutenants for Lancashire. *Incloses,*

48. 1. *List of Deputy Lieutenants deceased, of those now surviving, and of persons proposed as fit for that service.*

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June 20. Dartmouth. 49. Mayor of Dartmouth to the Council. Apologizes for the smallness of their contribution, 30*l.*, six of their ships having been taken by the Turks, who keep 130 men captives in Algiers, and many spoiled by the French.

June 20. Durham. 50. Mayor, &c. of Durham to the Same. Inclose a schedule of contributions; their smallness arises not from unwillingness, but the general scarcity.

June 20. Grant to Isaac de la Noys, Nich. Cornelison, Adam Vallet, and Joseph Lôpe, strangers born, of denization; with proviso of not trading in merchandise. [*Docquet.*]

June 20. Letter to the Lord Keeper, declaring the King's pleasure that the Earl of Suffolk receive no prejudice by leaving the Treasurer's place, through any bargain or contract made by him as Treasurer. [*Docquet.*]

June 20. Letter to the Provost, &c. of King's College, Cambridge, recommending Lady Lewin for renewal of her leases of Toft Monachorum, co. Norfolk, and Biggin and Ballons, co. Herts. [*Docquet.*]

June 20. Warrant to deliver cloth, &c. to Wm. Smysby, the King's barber, for summer and winter liveries. [*Docquet.*]

June 20. Grant to Adam Hill and Cordelia, his wife, of annuity of 100*l.* during their lives, on surrender of a former annuity to him for twenty-one years, of which seventeen are unexpired. [*Docquet.*]

June 20. Licence to St. John's College, Cambridge, to hold the rectory of Marham. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

June 21. 51. Complaint of John Foster and Hen. Lockwood, fishermen of Rye, that John Curtaine, of Dieppe, ran upon and plundered their bark when fishing near Farleigh, cut their cables, and left them to the mercy of the sea; also that certain ships of the King of France boarded them, and stole their fish. French.

June 22. Rye. 52. Mayor and Jurats of Rye to Lord Zouch. Honorie Moriel offers to give 12*l.* to the savers of the boat brought into their harbour, and proved in the Admiralty Court to belong to him. Ask leave to return the boat to him.

June 22. London. 53. Chamberlain to Carleton. The new Venetian Ambassador has had audience, and the old one has taken leave, &c. The Lord Mayor knighted at Greenwich; the King reminded him to attend to Middleton's water, the swarming of beggars, cleansing of the Thames, and especially to the repair of St. Paul's, for which his Majesty lays aside 2,000*l.* a year, the Prince 500*l.*, and others similarly. The Bp. of London is much commended for forwarding that work. The Countess of Buckingham received the Sacrament in the King's Chapel, with both her daughters. She has 2,000*l.* for her conformity.

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The King is going to Rochester to inspect his Navy, and thence to Cobham to persuade Lady Kildare to sell that place reasonably to the Duke and Duchess [of Lenox]. Rumours of marriages at Court.

June 22. 54. Locke to Carleton. Private affairs. The Lord Treasurer is proposing to save the King's purse by reducing the allowances of Ambassadors [*see May, No.* 136], forbidding reversions, taking away the fees of captains of castles and forts, and reducing supernumerary officers.

June 22. 55. [Committee for the Cloth Trade to the Council]. Find the chief causes of the decay are,—increased manufacture of cloth abroad; deceits in making or dyeing English cloth, and the heavy burdens on it; foreign wars; the close policy of the Merchant Adventurers; scarcity of coin; want of returns for cloth exported, and the general wearing of silks and foreign stuffs instead of cloth; with suggestions for remedy in each particular.

[June 22.] 56. Rough draft of the above [by Sir Robt. Heath].

June 22. 57. Commissioners for Cloth to [the Council?]. Certify the diligent service of Edm. Piers, Messenger of the Chamber, during his fifty days' attendance on them.

June 22. Whitehall. 58. Order in Council for licence to Visct. Falkland, about to proceed to Ireland, to transport 100 quarters of wheat.

June 22. Whitehall. 59. Order in Council, adopting the report of the Justices of Assize for Bedfordshire, on the complaint referred to them, of Reginald Horne and others against Hen. Coney and Philip Ferrers, that Coney and Ferrers may, if they please, appeal to Chancery. *Inserting,*

59. I. *Sir James Ley and Sir John Dodderidge to the Council. Think that Reginald Horne should quietly enjoy the right of the common which he claims, a Chancery decision having been given in his favour, but that, as the other petitioners all claim on different grounds, Coney and Ferrers, who allege an agreement with certain of the commoners for their right, should exhibit a bill in Chancery, and await the decision of the Lord Keeper.*

June. 60. Original of the above letter of Ley and Dodderidge to the Council.

June 22. Whitehall. 61. Order in Council, granting the petition of the Russian merchants, that the levying moneys towards the payment of their debt be respited, till the Hollanders have restored the 22,000*l.* of which they wronged the Company, provided that one third of the levy be raised immediately, to satisfy the pressing claims of Mary Brocas and Anne, wife of Wm. Place.

June 22. Carmarthen. 62. Sheriff and Justices of Carmarthenshire to the Council. Send schedules of contributions, which would have been larger had the county been in a better state.

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June 22. Exeter. 63. Mayor, &c. of Exeter to the Council. Send 228*l.* 17*s.* 4*d.*, as their contribution; losses by Turks, decay of trade, &c., prevent the sum being larger.

June 22. 64. Petition of John Hill, Yeoman of the Guard, to the King, for directions to the High Sheriff of Cumberland to proclaim a market at Ravenglass, whereof Hill was promised the benefit; but Wm. Huddlestone, who is very powerful in that country, prevents the proclamation of the market.

June 22. Letter to the Lord Keeper and Lord Chief Justice, in behalf of Jas. Moore and others, to end all suits depending on the late Sec. Winwood's affairs. [*Docquet.*]

June 22. Warrant to pay to Fras. Hustwaight, Serjeant of the Hawks, 100*l.*, disbursed by him for provision of hawks. [*Docquet.*]

June 22. Grant to the Earl and Countess of Montgomery, and Charles and Philip, their sons, successively, in reversion after the Earl of Salisbury, of the custody of the manor of Elsing, in Enfield, co. Middlesex, and the New Park, and also the Mastership of the Game, &c. there. [*Docquet.*]

June 24. 65. The Council to all Mayors, Justices, Admiralty, and Custom House Officers. To assist Sir Thos. Compton in executing his patent for searching for and seizing logwood, which is forbidden to be used in dyeing.

June 24. Bodmin. 66. [Justices] of Cornwall to the Council. Request acceptance of their mean contributions. The scarcity of money, decay of coast fishing, loss by the tin mines, and low prices of cattle and wool, prevent its being larger.

June 24. Tavistock. 67. Earl of Bath to the Same. The Justices of Exeter taxed themselves at a full subsidy or more towards the contribution. Sends schedules for the hundreds of Braunton, Fremington, and Sherwill. The people were very backward, on account of the decay of trade.

June 24. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 68. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Is sorry his remarks have been construed amiss. Wishes to buy "Pareus on the Romans," which was burnt at Oxford.

June 25. South Lambeth. 69. Sir Noel de Caron to Sir Geo. Newman, Judge of the Admiralty of the Cinque Ports. Requests him to see to the fulfilment of the Lord Warden's warrant for restitution of the ship Hunter, of Flushing, detained at Dover as a pirate, although acting under commission of reprisal from the Prince of Orange.

June 25. Greenwich. 70. The King to Prince Charles. Has long wished to establish an academy for bettering the teaching of youth, and for the encouragement of men of art, but has been prevented by want of money. Has now decided to appropriate thereto certain sums left for taxes and fifteenths, and supposed to be in the hands of private men; also all fines levied by commissions on buildings, or other

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casualties not entering into the present revenue. Will order all such sums to be paid over to the Prince, leaving to him the entire disposal thereof, in founding some such public work.

June 25. 71. Copy of the above.

June 25. 72. The King to the Council. Being the supreme Judge of the jurisdiction of courts, desires them, as his representatives, to consider whether the Earl Marshal of England is not a Judge with the Constable in the Court Marshal, and consequently a Judge in the vacancy of the Constableship, a doubt being urged that the Earl Marshal is only the minister of the Constable, to see his judgments executed.

June 25. Grant to Margaret Bedford of an almsroom in Clarke's Hall. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Grant to Wm. Spicer of pardon for all theft and felonious taking away of goods. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Warrant to pay to the Mayor and Burgesses of Berwick 3,000*l.*, for finishing their bridge and building their church. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Grant to the Countess of Rutland of licence to go to the Spa, with as many servants as she pleases, and 100*l.* in money. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Letter to the Warden of Winchester College to choose John Ember, scholar there, to be a scholar of New College, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Chester. 73. Mayor and Sheriffs of Chester to the Council. Send up their contribution, amounting to 60*l.*

June 25. 74. Proceedings at a General Court of Levant merchants, held at Sir Thos. Lowe's house. Appoint, at request of Council, Nich. Leate and others to conclude, on the Company's behalf, terms for mediating between themselves and Sir John Eyre, whose extortions and ill speeches abroad have well nigh overthrown their trade; with proviso that they may enjoy the benefit of their contract, which Eyre has broken.

June 26. 75. Order in Council, referring to the Lord President, Sec. Calvert, and others, the complaints of the woodmongers and brewers of London against the oastmen of Newcastle, for mingling "unfuellable stuffe" with their coals, and the answers of those of Newcastle thereto.

June 26. 76. [Order in Council],—on complaint of the Weavers' Company of London, that, in spite of divers orders issued by the Lord Mayor and the Court of Aldermen to the contrary, freemen of other companies exercise the trade of weaving, and sell much ill-made stuff,—that the Weavers' Company be assisted by the authority of Council to enforce conformity to the orders of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen.

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June 26. Whitehall. 77. Order in Council, founded on the report of the Attorney General [*see June 6 and 15*], that the market for Welsh cloths and cottons be restored to Oswestry, with provisoes that the buying thereof be left open to all, and that the Welsh drapers be free to buy from the poor clothiers at their own houses or markets.

June 26. York. 78. Mayor and others of York to the Council. Inclose a schedule of contributions, which are smaller than was hoped, the scarcity of corn being greater than ever known in the memory of man.

June 27. 79. [Committee of Council to the Same]. The Levant Company agreed to pay Sir John Eyre 5,000 zechins a year during his residence at Constantinople, and to pay half a year in advance, on condition of his leaving to them all consulage moneys. They failing to pay his allowance at the stipulated time, he seized the consulage moneys instead, which came to more than his allowance, and for this they claim restitution. Advise that, as the contract was first broken by the merchants, and Sir John has suffered much disgrace from them, and been recalled two years before the time, he be allowed to retain the surplus money, but that he drop his further claims for consulage, and the dispute be thus determined.

June 27. Whitehall. 80. Order in Council, referring to Sir John Suckling and the Solicitor General the petition of the clothiers of Coventry, who complain that a permission for yearly export of 1,000 dressed and dyed Coventry cloths was concealed by the Committee, and the cloths were bought in Gloucestershire, and only dyed and dressed in Coventry, to the great injury of the cloth trade there. The petitioners request a warrant to seize for the King's use all such cloth as they find in the Committee's hand.

June ? 81. Report [of Sir John Suckling and Sir Robt. Heath], that, by consent of the parties, they have decided that the clothiers of Coventry shall have the whole benefit of the 1,000 Coventry cloths allowed to be dyed and dressed for export; but they may, if they choose, sell them to inland merchants, and Coventry merchants may buy Gloucestershire cloths, provided they be marked as such, and not included in the number of Coventry cloths; with provisoes for the stretching, marking, &c. of the cloths.

June 28. Liverpool. 82. Mayor and others of Liverpool to the Council. Send up their contribution of 26*l.* 14*s.* 6*d.* John Hockenhull, of Preston, Cheshire, who promised 2*l.* more, is induced to pay in Cheshire.

June 28. Whitehall. 83. Order in Council, that the suits depending in the Court of of Common Pleas between Ralph Brooke, York Herald, and others, about their fees of office, be referred entirely to the jurisdiction of the Earl Marshal's Court.

June 28. 84. Copy of the above.

June 28. 85. Order in Council, releasing from custody certain aliens who persisted in refining sugar, notwithstanding a previous order to Mat. de Quester and others to desist therefrom; the said aliens now pro-

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mising submission, on purchase of their materials and implements by the sugar refiners of London. *Annexing,*

85. I. *Agreement between Mat. de Quester and the merchant refiners of sugar, for dissolution of their sugar house, on purchase of their sugars and materials. June* 28.

June 28. Grant to Percy and Mary Browne, children of the late Sir Wm. Browne, Lieutenant of Flushing, and born there, of denization. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Similar letters for Fras. Blondeau and Lavinia his wife, born beyond seas. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Grant to Rich. Turpin, Groom of the Bedchamber, and Margaret his wife, of pension of 500*l.* a year, upon relinquishing an annuity and annual allowances of 350*l.* [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Warrant for delivery of stuff to Alex. Carlell, Yeoman Pricker of the Privy Harriers, for his livery, yearly. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Similar warrant for Bevis Thelwall, Clerk of the Great Wardrobe, for his livery. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Grant to Jo. Cooper, of Rockbourne, co. Hants, of the degree of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Grant to Sir Ant. Ashley, of St. Giles' Wimborne, co. Dorset, of the degree of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

June 28 Two discharges to the Lord Treasurer and others, Commissioners for the Secret Jewels in the Tower, for jewels delivered by them, according to the King's command. [*Docquet.*]

June 28. Discharge to Lord Mandeville, Lord Brooke, and Sir Hen. Mildmay, for delivery and sale of certain old plate, according to the King's command. [*Docquet.*]

June [28]. 86. Warrant [from Council] requiring aid and assistance for Edw. Woodward and Thos. Garrett, of London, and for the Duke of Lenox and Marquis Hamilton, in the execution of their patents for coinage of farthings; all who disobey or impugn the said patents and the proclamations thereon issued, to be called before Council to answer their contempt.

June 28. Star Chamber. 87. Decree on the case of Rich. Coxe, Alderman of London, who obstinately refused to serve the office of sheriff, on plea that, having transferred his lands, &c. to his children, he is not worth 5,000*l.*; that he enter a bond of 1,000*l.* for his appearance in Guildhall, on Michaelmas Day, to take on him the said office.

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June 28. Whitehall. Note, that this day Visct. Grandison and Sir Edw. Conway were by the King's special command sworn of the Privy Council, sat at the board, and signed as Councillors. [*Dom. Corresp., Jan.* 14, 1623.]

June 29. Council Chamber. 88. Wm. Chesterman to Thos. Frewen. The Council wish to know from Mr. Attorney whether [Sir John Lawrence's] patent [for lobsters] be one of the patents called in. *Annexing,*

88. I. *Thos. Frewen to Wm. Chesterman. On Sir John's promise to impede no Englishman, his patent was not called in.*

88. II., III. *Order in Council, that the Clerk of the House of Commons deliver unto Sir John Lawrence, to whom it was transferred for a debt, the patent of Paul Bassano and John Vaudry for the importation of salmons and lobsters, which was questioned in Parliament, but released on promise that no Englishman shall be impeded in, using the like liberty of importation. Two drafts. June* 28.

June 29. 89. Information of Rich. Hawes and John Pettyver, Overseers of Little Missenden. Report the delay of Sir Wm. Fleetwood, Sir Jerome Horsey, and Sir Thos. Leigh, in giving an opinion as to whether they might be discharged from their office of visitorship. Never heard Horsey speak about the abrogation of the statutes for maimed soldiers, or of any other statutes.

June? 90. Declaration by Sir Fras. Fortescue, that, at the sessions of the peace at Aylesbury, on the 2d and 3d of May, no distinct opinion was given as to whether the laws continued from last Parliament are now to be considered as repealed, but their rehearsal was omitted at the sessions, and they were not acted on.

June? 91. Sir Jerome Horsey to Sir Albert Morton. Suggests queries to be put to John Hatch, Clerk of the Peace, as to what passed at the quarter sessions at Aylesbury relating to the treasurership of maimed soldiers; also as to who called in question the continuance of the statutes, and asked the opinions of the judges, &c.

June? 92. The Same to [the Council?]. On a doubt expressed as to the continuance of the statutes about rogues, vagabonds, and maimed soldiers, he and others asked the opinions of the judges, but they evaded reply. Continued to act on the statutes, but delays arose, because the accounts had to be examined. Begs consideration for his years and services.

June 29. Grant to Thos. Patten, the King's servant, of so much of the goods and chattels of Fras. Throgmorton, attainted of high treason, as he shall discover to have been concealed from His Majesty, reserving a fourth part to the Crown. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Grant to Geo. Webb, in reversion, after Robt. Rustat, of the office of Keeper of St. Mary Magdalen's Hospital, near Bath, which reversion is surrendered by John Palmer, Groom of the Chamber. [*Docquet.*]

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June 29. Commission to the Privy Council and others to order warrants for Sir Wm. Haydon, for raising 6,324*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* upon reversion of entailed estates, of which there are three issues living heritable, from which 1,600*l.* is to be paid to the King. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Grant to Sir Wm. Haydon of licence to raise 6,324*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.* by composition for reversions upon entailed estates, reserving 1,600*l.* to the King. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Grant to Jas. Palmer, Groom of the Bedchamber, of pension of 200*l.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Warrant to pay to the Same 90*l.*, in lieu of his board wages. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Warrant to pay to the Same 20*l.* per ann., as his yearly wages. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. Warrant for delivery of stuff to Roger Williams, Yeoman Pricker, for his yearly liveries. [*Docquet.*]

June 29. South Lambeth. 93. Sir Noel de Caron to Lord Zouch. No restitution of the ship Hunter having been made, though ordered by his Lordship, commends to him the enclosed petition. *Incloses,*

93. 1. *Petition of the owners of the bark Hunter, of Flushing, to Lord Zouch, for immediate restitution of their ship and goods, their expenses already exceeding the value of their ship.*

June? 94. Copy of the above petition.

June 30. 95. The Council to the Justices of Suffolk. Authorize them, in consideration of their report on the affairs of Sam. Salmon, to call before them such of his creditors as refused to come to terms, and urge them to accept his offers, that many poor people may not, through their refusal, be thrown out of employ.

June 30. Whitehall. 96. The Same to the Earl of Huntingdon, Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire. Hen. Kendall is to be discharged from musters in Leicestershire, where he only holds rents, if his plea that he is assessed to the full in Derbyshire, where his main estates lie, be found to be correct.

[June 30.] 97. Petition of John Jones, a maimed soldier, of Shropshire, to the Council, for relief, the small pension granted him in the late Queen's time being lately refused him.

June. 98. Justices of Hertfordshire to the Same. Have lately expended, besides the annual allowance, 400*l.* on the highways, and 100*l.* on the bridges, in the roads which are His Majesty's passage, but they are so cut up by heavy four-wheeled carts, that without their suppression, they cannot be kept in repair. Can do nothing further till the Midsummer sessions, when the case shall be considered.

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June. 99. Sir Gervase Helwys to the Council. Acknowledges his fault in offending the Lord Privy Seal Worcester. Prays for pardon, and recall of any warrant for taking him into custody.

June? 100. List of the artizan strangers, denizens, or English-born, of the Walloon congregation of Canterbury. With a note of their principal trades.

June? 101. List of the aliens of Dover, either strangers born, denizens, or born in England, whose fathers were aliens. With notes of their several trades.

June? 102. List of French families, aliens, resident at Rye. French.

June. 103. Certificate by the Mayor of Norwich, made by order of the Attorney and Solicitor General, of the names and professions of all strangers resident in the City of Norwich. Total number, 291.

June? 104. List of householders in St. Martin's-le-Grand, London, who are foreigners.

June? 105. Declaration that the King purposes to establish a Royal Exchange, with four assistants to regulate all exchanges between the English and strangers, and that Wm. Sanderson, of London, is appointed to choose efficient persons for the purpose.

June? 106. Treatise, [by Sir Ralph Maddison?], on points necessary to the understanding of the proper rate of exchange for gold and silver moneys.

June? 107. Statement showing the damage arising when moneys delivered in England by exchange are repaid in the states beyond sea at a lower rate than the current coin there. With suggestions for remedy, by establishment of a register of exchange, and making our exports equal to our imports.

June? 108. "Introduction to the Business of Exchange," viz., remarks on the abuses of bankers and exchangers, which cause imports to exceed exports by 500,000*l.* yearly. The only remedy is the encouragement of our cloth trade, which is the true "golden fleece."

June? 109. Petition of Capt. John Forbes to the Council. Shows that by His Majesty's licence, he has levied certain soldiers in his dominions for service of the King of Poland, and that they are stayed from their voyage at request of the French Ambassador. Prays that the restraint may be taken off. Imperfect.

[June.] 110. Petition of Capt. Alexander Moore and Capt. John Forbes to the Same, that having, by permission of the King, fitted out four ships for service of the King of Poland, one of them was stayed, on some unfounded suggestions of the French Ambassador [that they were taking men to Rochelle]. Pray that the matter may be examined, and redress granted.

June? 111. Petition of the Same to the Same. Were detained by malicious accusations of the French Ambassador, which, proving groundless, they were permitted to proceed, but the Ambassador still

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suborns witnesses against them. Desire examination of their witnesses, and an order to the Ambassador to pay the expenses of their long delay.

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July 1. London. 1. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Bp. of London, preaching at St. Paul's Cross on the benevolence, argued that what we have is not our own, and that giving to the King is only restoration; he also spoke on the repairing of St. Paul's Church, and confuted Pareus' opinions concerning the people's authority over tyrannical princes; towards the end of the sermon Pareus' books were burnt. The King and the ladies went to Rochester to view the Navy. Several Knights made. Baronetcies are now to be obtained for 200*l.* or 250*l.* The King went from Greenwich to Norwich, &c., and thence to Oatlands. Sir Edw. Conway, with others, sworn of the Council; it is reported he will be made Secretary. The Lord Treasurer and Lord Digby are not made Earls yet, because they cannot agree on their precedence, Digby pleading ancient descent and long services. Visct. St. Albans has filed a bill in Chancery against Buckingham, on account of the non-performance of his contract for taking York House. The Attorney General sues Sir John Bennet in the Star Chamber for extortion in his office. Sir Edw. Coke is accused of defrauding the King of great sums, in the extent which he and his lady had of Sir Chris. Hatton's lands. After his long close imprisonment, Sir Robt. Coke, his eldest son, and his daughter, are at last allowed to see him. Sir Robt. Phelips is still close prisoner, as is also the Earl of Oxford; his aunt, Lady Willoughby, failing in her intercession for him, his sister, the Countess of Derby, has come up to sue for him.

July 1. Hereford. 2. Mayor, &c. of Hereford to the Council. Send up 55*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* collected for the contribution. *Inclose,*

2. I. *Schedule of the names of those who promised payment towards the contribution in the city of Hereford, and of those who were absent from home and had no summons.*

July 1. Grantham. 3. Miles Greenwood, Alderman, and others, of Grantham, to the Same. Have entrusted their contribution of 50*l.* 1*s.* to Mr. Wicliffe to pay in.

July 1. Grant of incorporation to the bailiffs, &c. of Basingstoke, co Southampton. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

July 2. Letter to the Lord Mayor, &c. of London, to aid the College of Physicians to reform and suppress unlearned practitioners in the City, and within seven miles of it. [*Docquet.*]

July 2. Letter to the President and Censors of the College of Physicians, authorizing them to punish irregular practitioners. [*Docquet.*]

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July 2. Warrant for payment of 10*l.* each per ann. to Alex. Armorer and Edw. Redhead, the two posts of Alnwick and Morpeth, Northumberland, for extraordinary services to be done by them. [*Docquet.*]

July 2. Warrant for delivery of stuff to Jas. Palmer, Groom of the Bedchamber, according to custom. [*Docquet.*]

July 2. Star Chamber. 4. Certificate that Edw. Pain has put in security to answer to his cause in the Star Chamber, in which the Attorney General is plaintiff.

July 2. 5. Note of receipts, by Sir John Lambe, of the King's benevolence money from the clergy of the Archdeaconry of Leicester, since March 14. Total 164*l.* 7*s.* 3*d.*

July 2. 6, 7. Notes of the parishes in Sir John Lambe's and Mr. Clark's divisions in the Archdeaconry of Leicester the clergy of which have paid, and also of those which have not paid the benevolence to the King; being partially copies of the preceding. Two papers.

July 2? 8. List of parishes [in the Diocese of Peterborough]; with the names of the clergy, and the sums contributed by them towards the King's benevolence, and notes on such as have not paid.

July 2? 9. List of the clergy in the Archdeaconry of Leicester who have not yet paid their benevolence to the King.

July 2. Berwick. 10. Mayor, &c. of Berwick to the Council. The town consists chiefly of widows and orphans of deceased soldiers, and of some old soldiers, who, though only living on their pensions, subscribed with the better class of inhabitants to the contribution, out of their zeal to the cause.

July 2. Westminster. Grant to Russell Porter of the office of one of the King's Falconers, in place of John Holland, deceased. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 61.]

July. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 5.]

July 3. Westminster. Grant to Lady Anne Chandos, relict of Grey, late Lord Chandos, of the precedency formerly enjoyed by her, as the eldest daughter of Ferdinando, late Earl of Derby, but forfeited on her marriage with a Baron, and that on her decease she may have the funeral solemnity of an Earl's daughter. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 62.]

July. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 5.]

July 3. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Tirwhit of the goods and chattels forfeited by the outlawry of his deceased father, Robt. Tirwhit, of Kettleby, co. Lincoln, on condition of discharging his father's debts, and paying a tenth of the overplus into the Exchequer. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 63.]

July. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 5.]

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July 3. Dover. 11. Geo. Byng to Lord Zouch. Has stayed a Rochelle ship-of-war, which had on board merchandise taken at sea, about the division of which there is a dispute between the captain and some English sailors on board. Asks directions, as the Council only order stay of vessels which attempt to sell prize goods. *Incloses,*

11. I. *Inventory of the portion of the above goods now on shore, and challenged by Englishmen.*

July 3. 12. Copy of the above letter [by Nicholas].

July 3. 13. Bond of Wm. Fallar, of London, in 100*l.*, to give daily attendance on Council, and not to depart without special order.

July 3. Grant to Rich. Garnard of the office of Receiver General, in cos. Kent, Surrey, and Sussex. [*Ibid., p.* 353.]

July 4. Grant to Sir Wm. Haydon of 1,500*l.*, and of power to compound for entailed lands, conveyed from the Crown. [*Ibid., p.* 354.]

July 4. Special commission to Geo. Archbp. of Canterbury, and others, to compound for defective titles. [*Ibid., p.* 351.]

July 4. 14. Justices of Middlesex to the Council. Certify the names of such persons of quality as have refused to contribute to repair of the highways, thereby causing meaner persons to do the same, to the great decay of the roads. *Inclose,*

14. I. *Certificates by the churchwardens, constables, or surveyors of several parishes in London, of the refusal of certain of the inhabitants named to pay a tax levied for repair of the highways in Islington; also of some who promise speedy payment.*

July 4. Pembroke Hall. 15. Dr. Jerome Beale to Wm. Boswell. Sir Miles Sandys, notwithstanding many repulses from the Lord Keeper, intends to trouble him about a division of land, to forward which he has cajoled many simple men into signing a petition which is contrary to the interests of the Church and rights of the manor; requests him to speak a word in season to his Lordship thereon.

July 4. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Thomlinson of 500*l.*, out of the forfeitures of Sir Edw. Cooke, of Giddy-hall, Essex, outlawed for debt, being the amount of a debt due to him from Cooke. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 64.]

July 5. Docquet of the above.

July 5. Grant to Lady Savage, wife of Sir Thos. Savage, of licence to travel to the Spa, &c. [*Docquet.*]

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Large, of Hollington, co. Sussex, and his brother, John Large, of a Star Chamber fine of 40*l.*, imposed on the former, in consideration of their surrender of a Privy Seal of 30*l.* lent by their late father, John Large, Parson of West Dean, to Queen Elizabeth. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 65.]

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July 6. Westminster. Warrant to pay 574*l.* to Sir Marm. Darell and Sir Allan Apsley, Surveyors of Victuals, and 430*l.* 10*s.* to Sir Wm. Russell, Treasurer of the Navy, for re-victualling, wages, and manning of the Nonsuch and Dreadnought, to June 28 last. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 66.] *Inclosing,*

16. 1. *Estimate* [*by the Navy Commissioners*] *for victualling the Nonsuch and Dreadnought, continued in extraordinary service on the Narrow Seas, for forty-two days. Total,* 1,004*l.* 10*s. June* 18.

July 6. Westminster. Grant to Hen. de Laune, Frenchman, of denization. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 67.]

July 8. Westminster. Warrant to discharge Edw. Paston of 195*l.* 4*s.* 10½*d.*, for rent of the manor and rectory of Horton, co. Gloucester, which was by him paid in mistake to Lord Carew, Receiver General of the late Queen Anne, instead of into the Exchequer. [*Ibid., No.* 68.]

July 8. 17. Questions in theology, civil law, medicine, and philosophy, to be discussed at the University of Oxford, July 6 and 8. Latin. [Indorsed by Laud.]

July 8. 18. Sir Art. Ingram to Sir Clem. Edmondes. Begs that an order prefixed may be substituted and entered [in the Council Book], instead of the one sent by him, from which it differs but slightly. *Prefixing,*

18. 1. *Order in Council, that the hearing of the dispute between John Lepton and the Attorneys and Clerks of the Council of the North, be postponed to Oct.* 20, *and that meanwhile the fees be paid as formerly ordered. Whitehall, July* 3.

July 9. Release to Thos. Earl of Arundel, on the delivery of jewels. [*Grant Bk., p.* 349.]

July 10. Edmund Hall, Oxford. 19. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Reasons for not intending to marry, at least for some years to come, and not at all into the family of Mr. Ireland, who has proposed it to his father. Pareus' book must be sent safely wrapped, for fear of discovery.

July 10. 20. Certificate by Dr. Wm. Clement and John Draper, that Mrs. Mary Baines is troubled with nephritical passion, and is recommended to go to the Spa.

[July 10.] 21. Information by the Attorney General against Govert Devett, of St. Leonard's, Shoreditch, a stranger, for exercising, contrary to statute, the trade of clothworker in England, though not a servant to any Englishman, by which he is liable to forfeiture of his goods to the value of 1,000*l.*, and is summoned to answer to the premises.

[July 10.] 22. Similar information against A. B., of St. Mary Arches, London, a stranger, for buying 1,000 pieces of say and 1,000 pieces of serge from other merchant strangers, with intention to sell them again, by

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which he forfeits the value of the said stuffs, and is summoned to answer to the premises.

July 10. 23. Justices of the Hundred of Derlys, co. Carmarthen, to the Council. Send up their schedule and contribution; the fall in the prices of wool and cattle makes it small.

July 10. Yarmouth. 24. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to the Same. Pray that they, like other seaports near, may be excused the contribution, having been at great charge for their haven and piers, and contributed 200*l.* towards Algiers. The distress for want of money is such that they have been obliged to appeal to His Majesty for relief.

[July 10.] 25. Petition of John Bayley and Thos. Diggons to the Same. Are prisoners in the Marshalsea, for neglecting their duty in collecting and paying the benevolence given by the City of Chichester; have paid the money into the Exchequer, and acknowledge their error therein, and in want of respect to the magistracy; pray to be restored to their liberty.

July 10. 26. Bond of John, Samuel, and Peter Forteries, in 2,500*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for restoring to them, on behalf of the true owners, 4,400 Spanish crowns, part of 4,800 taken by Capt. Fleurie, master of a ship of war of Rochelle, from a Flemish bark, and left by him in the custody of the Mayor of Rye.

July 10. Westminster. Grant to the town of Southwell, co. Nottingham, of incorporation, with sundry privileges. With a proviso against prejudice to the Archbp. of York and the Chapter and Prebends of Southwell Collegiate Church. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 69.]

July 11. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Rich. Morrison, Lieut. of the Ordnance, 37*l.* 14*s.* 8*d.*, for providing six carts to convey the goods of Visct. Falkland to the port where he embarks for Ireland, the present ordnance stores not affording six carts. [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

July 11. Docquet of the above.

July 11. Westminster. Grant to Cipriano Scot, a Greek, born in Constantinople, of denization. Also grant to him of the reversion, after Fras. Ingolsby, of the office of Keeper of the Armoury at Greenwich, Edw. Pigeon, the former reversioner, being dead, and Scot now possessing the place by assignment from Ingolsby. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 71.]

July 11. Docquet of the above.

July 11. Letter to the Treasurer, Deputy, and others of the Virginia Company, recommending them to breed silkworms for establishing the manufacture of silk, in preference to the cultivation of tobacco. [*Docquet.*]

July 11. Barbican. 27. Lord Zouch to the Council. Asks instructions relative to a prize brought by a Rochelle man-of-war into Dover harbour; has caused it to be stayed, but no claim is made to it. Asks how long ships are to be detained under such circumstances, and what is to be done with the men on board.

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July 11. 28, 29. Order in Council to Edw. Lord Zouch, Warden of the Cinque Ports, that vessels coming to sell prizes taken at sea be seized, the unclaimed goods sold, and the money reserved for the true owners, and that the ships and men be dismissed. Two copies.

July 11. 30. Order in Council,—on petition of the Eastland Company against the injury to their trade from import by strangers of foreign commodities, which they were wont to import in lieu of the cloth, &c. exported by them,—that the King be requested to grant a proclamation on their behalf, for the sole import of hemp, flax, cordage, and other Eastland goods, such as formerly granted to the Levant Company for their goods.

[July 11.] 31. Additional clause in the above order.

[July 11.] 32. [The Council to the Lord Mayor, &c. of London.] Delay to grant a petition of the Eastland merchants for licence to import corn taken in exchange for cloth and to export it again, till they have his opinion, being unwilling to infringe upon his authority.

[July 11.] 33. [The Same to the Justices of Peace and Treasurers of Collections for maimed soldiers of Buckinghamshire.] Have received many complaints from maimed soldiers in that county whose pensions are suspended; request due payment thereof, and also a pension for Sergeant Eggleton, maimed in war.

[July 11.] 34. Petition of John de Carpenter and Servaes Hellinx, of Dort, and Dan. Brames, their factor, to the Council. Show that the manufacture of gold and silver thread, purle, &c. in England, has been thought to be a great waste of bullion. Request leave to make and import sufficient for the whole kingdom, promising to employ all the money received for it in English manufactures.

July 12. 35. Lord Zouch, Lord Sheffield, and Lord Wotton to Lady Kinloss. Are appointed referees by Act of Parliament, to decide what recompence should be given by the late Lord Kinloss and his heirs to Rich. Clayton, administrator to Dr. Clayton, for the transfer to Lord Kinloss of the interest of a lease of certain lands in Yorkshire. Have long refrained from acting, in hope of some voluntary recompence being offered, but Clayton's frequent petitions compel them to request some speedy contentment for him, else they must proceed according to their trust.

July 12. Barnstaple. 36. Mayor, &c. of Barnstaple to the Council. Have collected their contribution, and wish to know where it is to be paid.

July 12. Westchester. 37. Edw. Clark to Wm. Boswell. Sends a list prefixed of contributions in the archdeaconry of Leicester, &c. towards the recovery of the Palatinate. Has received 3*l.* 10*s.* 6*d.* for Greenwich church, and is ready to pay it.

July 12. Westminster. Grant to Stephen Snell, of Elsaw, co. York, being a peaceable labourer, of pardon for manslaughter of Mich. Shawe, "a sturdie and boisterous person," whose death was brought on by himself. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 74.]

July. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 13.]

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July 12. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Hen. Wicks, Paymaster of the Works, 632*l.* 2*s.* 6*d.*, for rebuilding portions of the Park wall of Theobalds, taken down to enlarge the park, and "carry it in a more graceful and seemly compasse." [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 75.]

July 13. Westminster. Grant to Sir Thos. Burton, of Stockerston, co. Leicester, of the rank of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 76.]

July 13. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir And. Gray, 200*l.*, as a free gift from the King. [*Ibid., No.* 77.]

July 13. Docquet of the above.

July 13. Westminster. Grant to Rutger Schœller, Godfrey Kegell, Matthew Buens, Peter Ente, John West, and Nich. Weyer, strangers born, of denization. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 78.]

July 13. London. 38. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sir Edw. Coke is cleared in the Court of Wards, by all the Judges, of misdemeanor about the extent of his lands, to the disappointment of Sir Thos. Weston and Mr. Gibbs, who were to have had the arrears, thought to be 50,000*l.* The Judges will have to give account of their doings therein. English colonists in Virginia massacred by the Indians. Lord Bruce married to Mary Chichester, niece to the Countess of Bedford, who has sold Combe Abbey, in Warwickshire, to Lady Craven, for 36,000*l.* Lady Hatton sells her house in Holborn to the Duke of Lenox, for 12,000*l.* The Earl of Lenox gives Newhall and the lieutenancy of Sussex to Buckingham for 22,000*l.* Candidates for the Comptrollership and Secretaryship. Gresley, Lord Digby's steward, brings a good report from Spain. The King gone to Wanstead, Havering, Theobalds, &c. Camden has bestowed 160*l.* or 180*l.* a year to found an historical lecture at Oxford.

July 13. 39. Locke to the Same. Private business. The Venetian Ambassador reported that the Duke of Florence's son was to marry the Infanta, which gave rise to a rumour that the Spanish match is broken off; but Mr. Gresley, just returned from Spain, says no such thing. Murray, of the Bedchamber, made a Viscount. *Incloses,*

39. I. *Abstract of transactions between the States' Commissioners and those of England, agreeing on the mutual restitution of goods, &c. taken by one party from the other. July* 10.

July 13. Hereford. 40. [Justices of Herefordshire] to the Council. Have increased their contributions to 584*l.* 15*s.* 11*d.*, a great sum for so small a county, considering that money is scarce, and that the city of Hereford and borough of Leominster contribute apart. Excuse themselves from sending lists of those who disloyally refused to pay, unless they be ordered to be tried for contumacy.

July 14. Durham Yard, Strand. 41. Sir Thos. Wilson to the Earl of Salisbury. News from abroad. The King of Bohemia has retired to Sedan. State of Heidelberg, Mannheim, and Frankenthal. The King of Spain tells Digby that he sees not how the Emperor can honourably surrender the

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Palatinate. Lord Doncaster has failed to persuade the King of France to leniency towards the Protestants. The Grand Seignior murdered. Slaughter of the English in Virginia by the native Indians. Sir John Wentworth sent to gaol for murder; also Sir W. Stone's son.

July 15. 42. Sir Hen. Marten to the Council. Thinks that the French Ambassador had ground of suspicion against Capt. Forbes, because some idle fellows who followed him talked about a Rochelle commission, but that there is no proof whatever to convict the Captain of any such intention as is alleged. The Ambassador's witnesses are not to be depended upon, being needy men, and displeased with the Captain; but neither are the Captain's witnesses to be believed in their accusation of the Ambassador that he corrupted the witnesses. *Incloses,*

42. I.—VIII. *Examinations of John Higgenson, of Claybrooke, co. Leicester, and others, on the part of the French Ambassador, to the effect that they engaged themselves to Capt. Forbes, on his statement or on their belief that they were enlisted under a commission to serve at Rochelle. Also replies of five of them to interrogatories, stating that after they had been before Council on this business, they were taken to the French Ambassador's house, and had food, wine, and money given, and subscribed a promise to be ready to swear to their former testimonies. July* 12.

42. IX.—XVI. *Examinations of Thos. Harding, of Westminster, and seven others, to the effect that they were summoned by Higgenson and others to go to the French Ambassador's, where money would be given them if they would depose against Capt. Forbes; that Higgenson said the Captain meant to take them to Poland and sell them as slaves, and swore vengeance against Harding for acquainting Forbes therewith. Also that Forbes told them he was under commission to serve the King of Poland, and spoke of no commission for Rochelle. July* 12.

July 15. Edmund Hall, 43. Matt. Nicholas to Edw. Nicholas. Reasons why he considers it inexpedient to marry.

[July 15.] 44. Petition of Edw. Barnes, mercer, to the Council, for their mediation with the King to secure him protection for a year from certain of his creditors, whose violent courses will otherwise prevent his paying all his debts in full, and providing for his family.

July 15. 45. Bond of Honorie Moreil, of St. Valery, Wm. Waad, of Dover, and John Lawrence, of London, in 80*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for restitution to Moreil, as chief owner, of the tackle and furniture of a vessel called the Gift of God, taken by a Rochelle man-of-war, and brought into Rye as a prize.

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July 15. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Ant. Ashley the arrears of his pensions of 266*l.* and of 50*l.*, up to Midsummer last, as the same pensions are to be surrendered and resettled on him and on Dame Philippa, his wife. [*See July* 29. *Sign Man., vol.* XIII., *No.* 79.]

July 15. Westminster. Grant to Edm. Prideaux, of Netherton, co. Devon, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 80.]

July 15. Westminster. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 81.]

July 15. Westminster. Warrant to the officers of Exchequer to pay to Thos. Earl of Arundel and Surrey 1,000*l.*, for the first half year of his pension of 2,000*l.*, granted on fines on alienations, those fines having been paid into the Exchequer without notice of this grant. [*Ibid., No.* 82.]

July 16. Westminster. Grant to Sir Thos. Hesilrigge, of Noseley, co. Leicester, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., vol.* XIV., *No.* 1.]

July 16. Westminster. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 2.]

July 16. Grant to Lewis Jones of an almsroom in St. Stephen's, Westminster. [*Docquet, July* 18.]

July 17. Grant to John Bird of an almsroom in St. Stephen's, Westminster. [*Docquet, July* 18.]

July 17. Hythe. 46. Wm. Marche to Lord Zouch. Has called a coroner's inquest on the body of Wm. Parker, of Folkestone, and the verdict is given of wilful murder against John Jeken, of Oxney, near Dover; but as the murder was committed at Cheriton, about a mile out of the liberties of the Cinque Ports, the trial must take place at the Kent assizes.

July 17. Westminster. Grant to the corporation of Great Yarmouth, co. Norfolk, of licence to export 4,000 tuns of beer custom free, for the repair of their haven and piers. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 4.]

July 17. Westminster. Grant to John Firebrasse, of St. Swithin's, London, of pardon for life only, for killing Martin Woodward. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 5.]

July 17. Westminster. Grant to the Earl of Leicester of discharge of all liabilities on his goods or lands for debts due to the Crown from Sir Hen. Sydney, his father, a similar pardon having been lately granted to the Earl of Clanricarde and his Countess, by whom those debts should have been paid. [*Ibid., No.* 6.]

July 17. Commission to Lancelot Bp. of Winchester and Sir John Dodderidge, to hear and determine the controversy between Milicent Conyers and Abm. Sunderland, as to their marriage. [*Grant Bk., p.* 352.]

July 17. Oxford. 47. University of Oxford to the Council. Have publicly condemned the doctrine of Pareus as seditious, and burned a copy of his book, not doubting that all contagion of his doctrine is purged

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from the University. Have also promulgated the King's wholesome wish as to the reading, by youth, of the Scriptures and the fathers of the church. Latin.

July 17. 48. Transactions at a meeting of the Senate of the University of Cambridge. Sundry propositions, relative to the kingly power being subject to none save God, and the impiousness of resistance thereto, were carried unanimously, and the books of Dr. Pareus Bucanus condemned to eternal infamy, and forbidden to be read. Latin.

July 17. 49. Articles of agreement tripartite indented between,—1st, John Nicholas, of Winterbourne Earls, co. Wilts; 2d, Edw. Nicholas, his son and heir, and Jane Jaye, daughter of Hen. Jaye, late Alderman of London; and 3d, Thos. Rowe, Robt. Jaye, and Rich. Dike, of London. That on the marriage of Edw. Nicholas with Jane Jaye, her portion of 600*l.*, to be afterwards increased, shall be truly paid to John Nicholas, and the parsonage of Winterbourne settled by him upon her and Edw. Nicholas, with increased allowance when the rest of her portion is paid.

July 18. 50. Bond of David Roussin, of Rouen, Edw. Casson, of London, and Rich. Cockram, of Rye, in 300*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for restitution to Roussin of the ship Gift of God, and her cargo, of which he is part owner.

July 18. Letter to the Lord Keeper and Lord Treasurer, that Rich. Buckley suffer no prejudice until the difference between him and Lady Buckley, his grandmother, is settled, and that his rents and estates in Aylesbury be meanwhile sequestered into the hands of the High Sheriff of the county. [*Docquet.*]

July 18. Grant to Thos. Powell of an almsroom in Christ Church, Gloucester. [*Docquet.*]

July 18. Westminster. Warrant to advance to Jas. Bovey, Serjeant of the King's Cellar, repairing into France, 400*l.*, for provision of high country and other wines, fruits, and grapes. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 7.]

July 18. Docquet of the above.

July 18. Grant to John Harris, of Tytherton-Kellaways, and Wm. Webb, on payment of 111*l.* 1*s.* 1½*d.*, under the Commission for Defective Titles, of the Chantries of Lavington and Bromham, co. Wilts, to their own use and that of the rest of the tenants; also of certain lands in Chislet and Sturrey, co. Kent, to the use of Thos. Bix, of Faversham, and his heirs, with reservation of 43*s.* 4*d.* rent to the Crown. Damaged. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 8.]

July 18. Docquet of the above.

July 19. Retford. 51. Commissioners of Musters in Nottinghamshire to the Council. Have held the musters, found all in good condition, and ordered the bands to be ready for instant service, and to suppress riots if any occur. The provision of powder, bullets, &c., and state of the beacons, are satisfactory.

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July 19. Westminster. Grant to Fras. Foliambe, of Walton, co. Derby, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 9.]

July. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 20.]

July 19. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Barnes, mercer, of London, and his sureties, of protection for one year from his creditors, he promising them to pay all his debts; done on consideration of his worth, though such protections are not hereafter to be granted. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 10.]

July 20. Docquet of the above.

July 20. Letter to the Bp. of Norwich, Sir Phil. Woodhouse, and others, to lay a general tax on the gentlemen of Norfolk, for repair of the haven and piers of Yarmouth. [*Docquet.*]

July 20. Grant to Francis Foliambe of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on his being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

July 21. Westminster. Warrant to advance to Sir Wm. Uvedale, Treasurer of the Chamber, 437*l.* 8*s.* 5*d.*, for sums paid by him, to be afterwards defalcated upon his account. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 11.]

July 21. Westminster. Warrant for transfer of payment of 750*l.*, formerly assigned to Wm. Herbert, as purchase of one fourth of the ship Destiny, to Diego de Castro Cortasar, agent of Francisco Davila, in satisfaction for damage committed in Guiana by Sir Walter Raleigh and Wm. Herbert, with the Destiny, the sum of 2,250*l.*, due to Lady Raleigh, for her husband's share in the said ship, being already paid to her. [*Ibid., No.* 12.]

J[ul]y 21. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Yate, of Buckland, co. Berks, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 13.]

July 22. Westminster. Presentation of John Morrice to the Rectory of Ilfracombe, diocese of Exeter. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 14.]

July 22. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir Rich. Morrison, Lieutenant of the Ordnance, 280*l.* 15*s.*, for 200 gilt javelins and 241 gilt halberts, for the King's Guard and the Warders of the Tower. [*Ibid., No.* 15.]

July 22. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Maximilian Coult, Carver of the Works, 63*l.* 3*s.* 4*d.*, for work upon His Majesty's new Privy Barge. [*Ibid., No.* 16.]

July 22. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Art. Brett, Groom of the Bedchamber, 300*l.*, as the King's gift. [*Ibid., No.* 17.]

July 22. Westminster. Grant to Arch. and Jas. Hay, of Scotland, of denization. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 18.]

July 22. Westminster. Warrant to pay to the Duke of Lenox, Steward of the Household, 3,000*l.*, for the King's special service. [*Ibid., No.* 19.]

July 22. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Wm. Hayward 100*l.*, for surveying the fens, &c. in various counties in England. Damaged. [*Ibid., No.* 20.]

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July 22. Westminster. Grant to John Jefferson, on surrender of his father, John Jefferson, of the office of King's Bowyer. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 21.]

July 22. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Yate of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 22.]

July 22. 52. Bond of Jas. Huze, of Dieppe, and Robt. Garrett and Wm. Waad, of Dover, in 400*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for restitution to Jas. Huze, owner, of the ship Magdalen, of Dieppe, carried into Margate by a Rochelle man-of-war.

July 23. 53. Note that the Lord Chamberlain has displaced all the old messengers, put in new ones, and created two new officers, as Clerks of the Cheque, to control them.

July 23. London. 54. Tobie Matthew to Carleton. Is going to visit his parents. Fears the times are such that Carleton will not be spared from his employment to come to England.

July 23. 55. Memorandum of payments by Art. Jervis, collector of the gifts of the laity, to the aid of the King and Queen of Bohemia, for the hundreds of Becontree, Chafford, and Barstable, co. Essex; total, 410*l.*

July 23. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Wm. Visct. Fielding, Keeper of the Great Wardrobe, 2,000*l.* additional, the expenses requiring that the assignment for the present year, which was diminished, should equal that of other years; with proviso that he is to have all the surplus that may be saved therefrom. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 23.]

July 23. Westminster. Grant to Mat. Bankes of the office of Master Carpenter in the Tower, in place of John Horton, deceased. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 24.]

July 23. Westminster. Grant to Anne Lile of an annuity of 36*l.*, on surrender of a like annuity by her husband John Lile, Master Cook to the Prince. [*Ibid., No.* 25.]

July 23. Westminster. Grant to Hen. Finch and Francis, his son, of pardon for receiving John Ashfield, of London, after he had stolen Sir Thos. Merry's goods, whereby they are in danger as accessory to his felony. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 26.]

July 24. 56. Locke to Carleton. Lady Savile wishes to take Carleton's house at Imworth. The English ships, which brought a quantity of money from Spain, were ordered to be set free, and proceeded to Calais, &c.

July 25. Westminster. 57. The King to the Lord Keeper. The directions previously given that all recusants in prison in the several gaols of the kingdom be released on bail before the King's Bench, prove impossible to the poorer sort, and very chargeable. Writs are therefore to be issued, empowering the Justices of Assize to enlarge them from the several gaols, on the sureties and conditions before ordered.

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July 25. Westminster. Grant to Sir Sam. Tryon of licence to inclose a lane for enlargement of Halstead Park, co. Essex, with reservation of a right of road to and from Giles Croft. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 27.]

July 25. Westminster. Grant to Robt. Ramsay and John Jack of the exclusive privilege of making an engine invented by John Jack and by David Ramsay, Page of the Bedchamber, to raise waters for draining lands and mines; and also an engine to turn spits. [*Ibid., No.* 28.]

July 26. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 100*l.*, and more if needful, to Pat. Young, Keeper of the King's libraries, appointed to make search in all cathedrals for old manuscripts and ancient records, and to bring an inventory of them to His Majesty. [*Ibid., No.* 30.]

July 26. Westminster. Grant to the Duke of Lenox of an annuity of 2,000*l.*, notwithstanding the order for restraint of pensions. [*Ibid., No.* 31.]

July. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 29.]

July 26. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Smith, Yeoman of the Guard, of Star Chamber fines of 1,020*l.*, imposed on Fras. Newton, of London, for selling by deceitful weights; also of a fine of 300*l.*, mitigated to 30*l.*, on Griffin Smith, and one of 100*l.*, mitigated to 10*l.*, on Fras. Hales, for other offences. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 32.]

July. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 27.]

July 26. Wrest. 58. Chas. Earl of Kent and Hen. Lord Grey of Ruthyn, to the Council. Have held the musters in Bedfordshire, ordered the troops to be in constant readiness, and brought all the military stores into proper condition.

July 26. Westminster. Grant to John Richardson, Footman in Ordinary, of a fine of 100*l.*, imposed on Sir Edw. Windsor, late Sheriff of Staffordshire, for the escape of Sam. Arden, a felon. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 33.]

July 27. Docquet of the above.

July [27]. 59. Mayor and Aldermen of London to the Council. Request favour for the Company of Salters and other freemen of London, against whom informations are lodged for buying hops to sell again, it being a trade in which they were bred, and which they have always used, and the trade of London being much in decline at present.

July 27. Letter to the Bp. of Durham, to confer with the Judges of Assize for the northern counties, touching tenant-right, or customary estate of inheritance claimed in those parts, ordering them to abide strictly by the King's proclamation against tenant-right, or the holding of lands by border service, to countenance no claim founded thereon, and to acquaint the tenants of His Majesty's pleasure therein, giving them no hopes to the contrary. [*Docquet.*]

July 27. Letter to the Bp. of Carlisle, of the same tenor as the above. [*Docquet.*]

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July 27. Letter to the Bp. of Norwich to set aside the lecturer at Ipswich, and to nominate in his place five or six or more learned conformable preachers, having benefices with cure of souls, to preach that lecture by turns; also to appoint a preacher who has a cure of souls in the town to preach their Sunday sermon. [*Docquet*]

July 27. Letter to the Bailiffs and Burgesses of Ipswich to accept the preachers above referred to, and to divide amongst them the stipend formerly paid to the sole lecturer. [*Docquet.*]

July 27. Grant to Wm. Morley of an almsroom in St. Peter's Westminster. [*Docquet.*]

July 27. Grant to Mich. Hudson of an almsroom in Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

July 28. Westminster College. 60. Wm. Boswell to Sir John Lambe. Dr. Farmery having complained to the bishop that some of the clergy in the archdeaconry of Lincoln were obstinate in refusing to contribute, the bishop ordered him to proceed against them. Lambe is to take the same course, and can have a letter direct from the bishop if needful. *Incloses,*

60. 1. *Bp. of Lincoln to Dr. Farmery, Chancellor of Lincoln. He is to cite before the Consistory the clergy who refused to pay the benevolence; to remonstrate with them on their undutiful and graceless conduct, and to send up to the Archbp. of Canterbury and himself those who continue refractory. Westminster, July* 22.

July 28. 61. Indenture between Edw. Lord Dudley and Martha Gravenor, widow, whereby the former agrees to discharge in full to the latter the sums of 180*l.* and 50*l.*, arrears of a rent of 100*l.* a year, due to her from Lord Dudley for certain lands, on condition of her forbearing to seize the lands, as she is empowered to do by decree in the Court of Exchequer; with proviso, on his part, of forfeiture of 80*l.* if the whole sum be not paid within the time prescribed. Indorsed is a note by Martha Harpur, dated Oct. 11, 1630, of her receipt, some six or seven years before, of forty marks, in part of the above debt.

July 28. Oatlands. Proclamation prohibiting the export of wools, woollen yarn, fullers' earth, and wood ashes, and inflicting heavy penalties on all Custom House officers conniving at their export; also commanding nothing to be worn at funerals but black English-made cloth or stuff, and enforcing former proclamations against deceitful dyeing of cloth, which, with export of wools, has been pronounced by the Committee appointed to inquire into trade one of the chief causes of its decay. Also declaring the establishment of a standing commission to consult on matters of trade. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 102.]

July 28. Westminster. Grant to Geo. Chudleigh, of Ashton, co. Devon, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 34.]

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July 29. Westminster. Grant to Geo. Chudleigh of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 35.]

July 29. Westminster. Grant to Fras. Drake, of Buckland, co. Devon, of the dignity of a Baronet. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 36.]

July 29. Westminster. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Ibid., No.* 37.]

July 29. Whitehall. 62. The Council to the Officers of Customs at Sandwich. Many troops and companies having lately gone over to France, the King requires them, on their allegiance, not to permit any other person to pass from that port, except on necessary occasions, and to take into custody any captain who shall attempt to transport troops.

July [29]. Whitehall. 63. Copy of the above, without address. [*Similar circulars were sent to the officers of the ports of London, Southampton, Pool, Chichester, Exeter and Dartmouth, Plymouth and Fowey, Bridgewater and Bristol.*]

July [29]. Whitehall. 64. [The Council] to the Lord President of Wales. On complaint made before Parliament, and sundry letters and certificates received since, it was ordered that the market for Welsh cottons should be restored to Oswestry, to prevent the decay of trade and disturbances there. The drapers of Shrewsbury petition for leave to retain a weekly market at Shrewsbury for the general good of trade. See no reason to alter the former order, but, the case being important, and best judged by those near at hand, request his Lordship and the Chief Justice of Chester, to hear all the parties concerned, and to confirm the Order of Council, unless sufficient cause be shown to the contrary.

[July 29.] 65. Copy of the above, with corrections.

July 29. Westminster. Grant to Sir Ant. Ashley and Philippa his wife, of a pension of 266*l.*, together with a pension of 50*l.* to the said Philippa, on surrender of similar grants to Sir Ant. Ashley and Sir Thos. Lake. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 39.]

July 29. Westminster. Grant to Jane, wife of Thos. Carr, of the Privy Chamber, born in Scotland, of denization. Latin. [*Ibid., p.* 40.]

July 29. Westminster. Warrant to the Lord Treasurer and others to grant commissions for finding out encroachments made upon the Thames within sixty years past, and for granting the same in fee farm to the Lord High Admiral Buckingham, by whose means, in discharge of his place as High Admiral, their existence has been discovered. [*Ibid., p.* 41.]

July 29. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Painter of the reversion of the office of Master of the Revels, after Ben. Jonson, who now holds the reversion after Sir Geo. Buck and Sir John Ashley. [*Ibid., p.* 42.]

July 29. Warrant to Cuthbert Ogle, Lieutenant of the Forest of Whittlewood, co. Northampton, to search out suspected persons, who, in warlike manner, with pistols, swords, and bucklers, make spoil of the game in Grafton Parks. [*Docquet.*]

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July 29. Westminster. Discharge to the Lord Treasurer and Rich. Croshaw of all debts due to the Crown by Sir Thos. Shirley, deceased, and Sir Thos. Shirley, his son, freeing the manors of Wiston and other lands, &c. in Ashington and Findon, co. Sussex, from the said debts; done on payment by the Lord Treasurer of 7,550*l.*, the balance remaining due of 10,550*l.*, which the King accepted in satisfaction of the said debts. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 43.]

July 30. Docquet of the above.

July 30. Salisbury House. 66. Earl of Rutland to the Council. Has held the musters in Lincolnshire, and made all complete. Hoped to increase the number of troops, but is prevented by the general want of money, and the fall in the prices of all commodities, except corn.

July 30. 67. List of the parishes and incumbents in Sir John Lambe and Mr. Clark's divisions of the archdeaconry of Leicester, and of the payments made by them of the benevolence to the Bp. of Lincoln; with notes on those who have not paid. Total, in the former division, 31*l.* 5*s.* 3*d.*; in the latter, 37*l.* 12*s.* 1*d.*

July. 68. Justices of the Hundred of Pirehill, Staffordshire, to the Council. Have used their best endeavours with subsidy men and men of ability, and send up contributions.

[July.] 69. [Justices] of Suffolk to [the Same]. The inhabitants of the hundreds of Plomesgate, Thredling, Wilford, Carlford, Colnies, and Loes have paid their contribution, but earnestly request that a general certificate may be allowed, instead of one giving the names of individuals, which might prejudice them hereafter.

[July.] 70. [Justices] of Leicestershire to the Same. Have themselves subscribed beyond their means, and endeavoured to raise the contribution, but the great want of treasure in the country, and the difficulty of procuring anything by way of gift, make the sums small.

[July 30.] 71. Petition of Thos. Parry to the Same, to call Fras. Mansell before them, for withholding 100*l.*, the residue of 400*l.*, and the interest on the 400*l.* collected in Carmarthenshire for furnishing soldiers for Ireland, but directed to be appropriated to the building of a free grammar school in Carmarthen, whereby the building now nearly finished is hindered.

July 30. Westminster. Grant to Sir Thos. Glover of the office of searching leather transported, with certain dues on the leather thus searched, smaller than those in the time of Queen Elizabeth, reserving a yearly rent of 13*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.* His petition was for search both on exports and imports of leather, but that on exports only is granted. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 44.]

July 30. Westminster. Grant to Wm. Barker of 500*l.* out of the King's moiety of the goods and chattels of Thos. Haxby, of Hartwith, Thos. Gargrave, of Nostell, John Thwing of Elmesall, and Fras. Comming, of York, all of Yorkshire, long since convicted of felony; the other moiety being granted to Roger Thorpe, Gentleman Usher, who has prosecuted the delinquents. [*Ibid., No.* 45.]

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July 31. Westminster. Warrant to the Officers of Exchequer to strike a tally for 6,000*l.*, as though paid by the Farmers of Customs on their rent, they entering into bonds for that sum to Sir Geo. Goring, who has assigned to the King, for three years, his pension of 2,000*l.* per ann., notwithstanding which tally, the sum is only intended to be paid in three years, as it arises out of Goring's pension. [*Sign Man.*, *vol.* XIV., *No.* 46.]

July 31. Windsor. 72. The King to Sec. Calvert. Orders Pat. Ruthven, who is to be delivered from the Tower, to be confined to Cambridge, or within six miles thereof.

July 31. 73. Locke to [Carleton]. Lord Doncaster has returned to London. The Earl of Arundel has been in great danger from leaping out of his coach when the horse ran away. Sir John Suckling, who pays well for the place, is to be Comptroller [of the Household]. The Commissioners, sent by the States to treat about the wrongs offered to the East India merchants, refuse to give satisfaction to the merchants, who are therefore permitted to seek it by law, or in the Admiralty Courts.

[July.] 74. Petition of Edw. Paine, of Eastbourne, to the Council, for release from the Marshalsea, to which he was committed for having unwittingly sold some wool to Ralph Acres, who transported it beyond sea, contrary to Statute.

July ? 75. List of cities, towns, and counties from which contributions were required towards the recovery of the Palatinate, with some of the sums contributed; also list of contributions from hundreds and wapentakes in several counties.

July ? 76. Petition of the Weavers' Company of London to the Council, for authority to summon before Council, or otherwise to punish, sundry persons who, in contempt of a former Order in Council and orders of the Court of Lord Mayor and Aldermen for removal into the company of all persons exercising the art of weaving, persist in keeping looms and apprentices, and refusing to conform to the government of the company.

July ? 77. Petition of the Scottish East India Company to the Same. Had set on foot a voyage for killing whales in Greenland, which was objected to by the old Muscovy Company, and set aside on promise of payment of 924*l.* 10*s.* damages; this being withheld, petitioned the House of Lords, and obtained order for payment of part of the money, but the decision about the rest was postponed. Parliament being now dissolved, pray that their Lordships will give order for its payment to Lucas Corselles, their treasurer, not to Sir Jas. Cunningham, their former governor, who holds large sums of theirs in his hands. *Inclose,*

77. 1. *Order of the House of Lords, on petition of Sir Jas. Cunningham, for payment by the Muscovy Company of* 124*l. to certain poor artificers,* [*engaged in the Scottish East India Company*]. *Dec.* 18.

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[July.] 78. Petition of Robt. Dure to the Council, in behalf of Thos. Martin and other merchants of St. Malo, that Jas. Bagg and Thos. Harding may be summoned to give account of their proceedings as Admiralty Commissioners, in reference to the embezzlement of the wares of the ship Mary, of St. Malo, seized and brought into Plymouth by a Rochelle man-of-war.

July? 79. Petition of Walter Mildmay and the other children of the late Sir Thos. and Lady Mildmay to the Same, that Will. Bradshaw, for his contempt of orders, may not be released from restraint till he produces his son, who is bound for his debt as well as himself.

July. 80. Petition of the Minister and Inhabitants of the parish of St. Margaret, Dover, to Lord Zouch, for his influence to obtain letters patent towards repair of their parish church, and the sea-mark there, which are much decayed, the inhabitants being unable of themselves to rebuild them.

July. 81. Commissioners of the Navy to Sir Robt. Pye. Of the 800*l.* payable for the Navy for July, 470*l.* is to be paid to the Surveyor of Victuals, and 330*l.* to the Treasurer of the Navy.

July? 82. "Exceptions to the Marshal's new Grant," being a statement of the grievances that will be inflicted upon the inhabitants of Westminster, if, in addition to the burdens already imposed upon them of lodging the household followers of the King and of foreign Ambassadors, serving on divers juries and courts, &c., they are compelled to attend weekly on juries before the Marshal and the new Steward, who are to hold a court for all pleas and actions within twelve miles' compass.

Aug.? 83. "Certaine observacons concerninge the Earles Marshalls of England and theire jurisdictions," tracing the holders of the office from the time of Henry III. to the death of the last Duke of Norfolk, 1572. [*Part of an imperfect heraldic MS., fol.* 8.]

Aug.? Statement of the nature and extent of "the jurisdiction of the Lord Highe Constable and Marshall of England." [*Ibid., fol.* 12.]

Aug.? Discourse by Sir Robt. Cotton, Bart., on the offices of Lord Steward of England, and of Steward of the King's household. [*Ibid., fol.* 17.]

Aug.? Discourse by Wm. Camden on the office of Lord Steward of England. [*Ibid., fol.* 30.]

Aug.? Discourse by Sir Robt. Cotton, Bart., on the office of Lord High Constable of England. [*Ibid., fol.* 34.]

Aug.? "The Antiquity and Office of Earl Marshal of England, by Sir Robt. Cotton, Bart." [*Ibid., fol.* 38.]

Aug.? "Reasons that the Courte of Marshalsea may fitley be enabled in certaine cases to hould plea of all manner of trespasses, as well upon the case as others, albeit neither party be of the King's household." Imperfect. [*Ibid., fol.* 50.]

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Aug. ? Statement of the form and usage of the office of Earl Marshal, as exercised by Gilbert de Striguill, in the time of Henry II., with the duties of the respective offices of Constable and Marshal. [*Ibid., fol.* 51.]

Aug. ? Discourse on the advisability of adopting some other course, rather than a duel, for satisfaction of honour when one person gives the lie to another, and of making the offence amenable to the Earl Marshal's Court; suggestions on the best mode of punishment. [*Ibid., fol.* 104.]

Aug. ? Index table of the MS. containing the preceding and other heraldic papers. [*Ibid., fol.* 122.]

Aug. 1. Westminster. The King to Earl Marshal Arundel. Whereas he has hitherto refrained from using judicial authority, from a doubt whether the Earl Marshal be not a minister of the Constable rather than a judge; that doubt being now entirely removed, by clear proofs that the two officers are joint judges, and that in the vacancy of one the other takes his place, he shall proceed in all cases as judicially and definitely as any previous Constable or Earl Marshal. [*Ibid., fol.* 15.]

Sign Manual of the above, dated July 26. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 29.]

Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, July* 27.]

Aug. 2. Westminster College. 84. The Lord Keeper to the Judges. The King having resolved, for State reasons, and from hope of favour by foreign Princes to Protestants, to grant some grace to English Papists, has ordered the issue of writs for their enlargement, and wishes "no nicenesse or difficulty" to be made in showing favour to all accused of refusing the Oath of Supremacy, disposing of Popish books, hearing or saying mass, or any point of recusancy which concerns religion only, and not matter of State.

Aug 2. Copy of the above. [*Dom. Corresp., July* 25, 1622.]

Aug. 2. Two copies of the above. [*Ibid., Aug.* 12.]

Aug. 4. Windsor Castle. 85. The King to [the Archbp. of Canterbury]. The abuses and extravagances of preachers having always been repressed by Government, and divers young students now imbibing and spreading unsound and seditious doctrines, through the reading of late writers, charges him to use all possible care for the enforcement of directions inclosed, and to command all bishops to send copies to every vicar, curate, lecturer, or minister, throughout their dioceses; will expect from each bishop a strict account of his proceedings therein. *Incloses,*

85. 1. "*Directions concerning Preachers.*" *All sermons, except those on festivals by the church dignitaries, are to be based upon the Articles of Religion set forth in* 1562, *and on the homilies of the Church. The Sunday afternoon service*

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to be devoted to examining children in the Catechism, or expounding the Catechism, Commandments, Creed, or Lord's Prayer. None below the degree of Dean to enter on the deep points of election or universal redemption, &c., but leave them to learned men and schools; none to presume to limit the power or jurisdiction of Sovereign Princes, or the conditions between them and their people, otherwise than as contained in the homily on obedience; none to fall into invectives against either Puritans or Papists, but merely to defend the doctrine and discipline of the Church. The Archbishops and Bishops to license no preachers by commission, and no lecturers except on episcopal recommendation. All transgressors of these directions to be suspended.

Aug. [4]. 86. Copy of the above letter and directions.

Aug. 5. Docquet of the above letter.

Aug. 5. Similar letter to the Archbp. of York. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Grant to Alice Bethwind of an almsroom in Clerks' Hall, London. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Presentation of Laurence Burnell, King's Chaplain, to the rectory of Bickington, diocese of Exeter. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Grant to Robt. Brooke, on surrender of Thos. Powell, of the office of Solicitor for Wales. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Warrant to Sir Edw. Onley and John Shuckbrough, to preserve the game between Holdenby and Killingworth. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Warrant to pay to the Earl of Holderness 500*l.*, as a free gift, for supply of his present wants. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Grant to John Tompson of an almsroom in Peterborough. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Letter to the Lord Keeper and others to certify their opinions if it be not just and reasonable for the King to improve the revenue on seals for writs, and how it may best be effected. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Letter to the Attorney and Solicitor General to attend the Lord Keeper and others on the above business. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Warrant for payment to Sir Robt. Anstruther of 6,000*l.*, from contribution money or otherwise, to be by him paid to the King of Denmark, for a year's interest, at six per cent., on 300,000 dollars borrowed for the use of the Palatinate. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Warrant for payment of 250*l.* to Morgan Colman, for repairing two large tables standing in the privy lodgings at Whitehall,

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and also for making various genealogical tables, &c., for the King's honour and service. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 5. Grant to Lady Bridget Countess of Sussex, of lease of lands not named, value 200*l.*, either concealed, lapsed, or annexed, with provisoes relating to the rents. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 6. Windsor. Proclamation, in order to the better furnishing of the Navy and shipping with able and skilful mariners, that no seaman engage in the service of any foreign Prince, without special licence. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 103.]

Aug. 6. Windsor. Proclamation forbidding the use of four-wheeled carts or waggons, as destructive to the highways, and ordering that no two-wheeled carts be loaded with more than twenty hundred weight, or drawn by more than five horses; all offenders therein to be prosecuted in the Star Chamber. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 104.]

Aug. 6. Letter to Sir Simon Weston and Sir Wm. Powell, and other justices, near Tamworth, co. Stafford, to compromise certain grievances complained of by Chas. Stanford, arising from the hard dealing of Wm. Cumberford, of Tamworth, towards his grandson, the heir of his house. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 8. Hackney. 87. Eliz. Fowkes to Nicholas. Thanks for favours, &c.

Aug. 8. Penshurst. 88. Earl of Leicester to [Carleton]. The Earl of Northumberland is still much honoured, respected, and visited; it is hoped a little patience will effect his restoration.

[Aug. 8.] 89. Petition of the Muscovy Company to the King, that as the three years and three months assigned to the Hollanders for reparation of damage done to the petitioners in Greenland, in 1618, have now fully expired, and no reparation is made, His Majesty will extend his authority for their assistance therein.

Aug. 8. Grant to Rich. Bolt of the Office of Keeper of the Bows in the Tower, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

Aug. 9. Presentation of Dr. John Donne to a prebend of Chiswick [*Ibid., p.* 353.]

Aug. 9. Grant to the Same, of a stall and part in the choir. [*Ibid., p.* 353.]

Aug. 9. Bidstone. 90. Earl of Derby to the Council. Apologizes for the delay in the returns of the musters in Lancashire and Cheshire. *Incloses,*

90. I. *Deputy Lieutenants of Cheshire to the Earl of Derby, Lord Lieutenant. Have held musters both of clergy and temporalty, and inclose certificates. Brereton, July* 19.

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90. II. *Deputy Lieutenants of Lancashire to the Earl of Derby. Have mustered the foot, but many of the horse being out at grass, their mustering is obliged to be postponed. All is in good condition. Croxteth, Aug.* 2.

Aug. 10. London. 91. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Bp. of Winchester preached at Windsor, on Aug. 5. The Spanish Ambassador was entertained there. The Prince and Buckingham swim every evening at Eton. The King has left Windsor for Farnham. Mr. Ruthven, Earl Gowrie's brother, who has been a prisoner ever since the King's accession, is released, but confined to Cambridge or Oxford, with 500*l.* a year. All Jesuits, priests, and persons refusing the Oath of Supremacy are liberated, so that Protestants will find more favour abroad. None below bachelors of divinity are to preach controversial sermons, and all lectures, except on Sundays, are put down. Dr. Everard, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, committed to the Marshalsea, and another preacher to the Gatehouse, about their sermons. Death of Lord Knyvet.

Aug. 10. 92. Locke to the Same. The Lord Treasurer has ordered all Exchequer payments to be stopped, so that the Ambassadors cannot receive the money ordered. Sir Edw. Coke, Sir Robt. Phelips, and Mr. Mallory are released from the Tower, but they are confined to within certain distances. Patrick Ruthven, Earl Gowrie's brother, who has been in the Tower since the beginning of the reign, is to remain within six miles of Cambridge. The Earl of Arundel has not yet recovered from his fall. The King much offended that many of his subjects have passed into France. Death of Lady Calvert.

Aug. 10. Grant to M. Soubise of 3,000*l.*, as the King's gift. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 10. Grant to John Porter, of Mabin, Cornwall, of the next advowson of the rectory of Mabin, to present Thos. Porter. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 10. Grant to Dr. Beaumont, Dean of Windsor and Registrar of the Garter, of 50*l.* per ann., for his office of Registrar. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 10. Commission to the Council to reprieve persons attainted of felony, except murder, rape, witchcraft, highway robbery, arson, and burglary, and to transport them beyond seas, or put them to hard labour useful to the commonwealth, till by certificate of good conduct they are remitted. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 10. Presentation of John Newton to the parsonage of Waldingfield Magna, diocese of Norwich. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 10. Warrant to pay 3,000*l.* and other moneys to Sir Peter Vanlore, to be by him made over by exchange to Sir Dudley Carleton, for the use of the Electress Palatine. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 10. Letter to the Council in Scotland enclosing the King's proclamation for preventing the exportation of wools, wool fells, yarn, &c., and authorizing them to send up three or four experienced persons to treat with the King's Commissioners in London upon wools [*Docquet.*]

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Aug. 10. Grant to Wm. Meredith, of Denbighshire, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 10. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,085*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

[Aug. 12.] [Croydon.] 93. Archbp. of Canterbury to the Bp. of Lincoln. Transmits the King's letter and directions concerning preachers, which are subjoined; they show his princely care for the orderly preaching of Christ crucified, of obedience to the higher powers, and of a Christian life, and not that every young man should take "exorbitant liberty to teach what he listeth," to the disquiet of King, Church, and Commonwealth. Requests careful attention to them, as the King will require a strict account therein.

Aug. 12. 94. Copy of the above.

Aug. 12? 95, 96. Statement by a Clerk of the Privy Seal, vindicating himself from a charge of corruption or indirect dealing, because by a mistake of his clerk, a grant to Dr. Beaumont, formerly sealed, was inserted amongst grants to pass the Signet, instead of a bill in the name of Brooke. Two copies.

Aug. 13. Westminster. 97. Abraham Williams to Carleton. Mr. Ruthven, the Earl of Gowrie's son, Sir Edw. Coke, Sir Robt. Phelips, and Mr. Mallory are released from the Tower, and it is hoped the Earl of Oxford will be, though he is still a close prisoner. All priests and others imprisoned for the Catholic religion, are released. M. Soubise is going away with a gift of 3,000*l.*, and leave to take up 1,000 English volunteers for his guard, but on no other pretence.

Aug. 14. Instructions to the Master and Council of the Court of Wards for the King's service. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 14. Grant to the Earl of Kelly of release of the rent of 1,500*l.* per ann., with arrears, due on grant to him and others of the fines incurred under the statute concerning wool and woollen goods, which grant he has now surrendered to the King. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 14. Warrant, on petition of Lady Watson, widow of Sir Thos. Watson, for defalcation to be made out of Sir Thomas's debts to the Crown, as Receiver of First Fruits and Teller of the Exchequer, of 2,001*l.* 15*s.* 11¾*d.*, expended by him in building the wall about Greenwich Park. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 14. Warrant to continue the imposition on French, Rhenish, Spanish, and sweet wines for a year, for defence of the Palatinate, but to abate it to 20*s.* in London, and 13*s.* 4*d.* in other ports, on all the said wines except the Rhenish. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 14. Grant to Robt. Grubb of pardon for robbery. [*Docquet.*]

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Aug. 15. 98. Earl of Southampton to the Council. The decrease in the musters of Hampshire results,—1st, from decay and disability of some parties, which must, if possible, be supplied by others of increased ability; 2d, by some pleading privileges, as belonging to the Exchequer, who must abide their Lordships' pleasure; 3d, by wilful refusers to show arms; the names of the principal of these are subjoined, that they may be dealt with as thought best. The supply of powder, being injured by lying, was given to a man who offered to make it good, and does not perform his contract; but for each musket, 6lbs. of powder, 2lbs. of match, and forty bullets are ordered.

Aug. 15. Exeter Castle. 99. Justices of Peace for Devonshire to the Same. Have instituted watch and ward throughout the county for preventing riotous assemblies, and for apprehending all idle and wandering persons; hope there is no occasion for a provost marshal to take the government of the county.

Aug. 15. Thistleworth. 100. Mary Lady Vere to Carleton. Thanks for his favour about her money matters, and requests its continuance.

Aug. 16. Ordnance Office. 101. Estimate [by the Officers of Ordnance] of emptions required for the Garland and Adventurer, commissioned to transport M. Soubise to Rochelle. Total cost 153*l.* 11*s.*

Aug. 19. Commission to Sir Thos. Littleton, Bart., and others, to end the differences between Sir Samuel Sandys, Lord of the Manor of Ombersley, co. Worcester, and his tenants, or to certify to the King where the fault lies. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 19. Grant to John Howell, of Cardiff, co. Glamorgan, of pardon for robbery. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 21. Warrant to the Lord Admiral to cause two pinnaces built for the voyage of Algiers, the Mercury and the Spy, to be taken into the King's Navy, and made ready for service. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 21. Warrant to pay to the Surveyors of Marine Victuals 420*l.* weekly, for victuals for 1,600 men on board eight of the King's ships, until they sail for Spain, &c. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 21. Warrant empowering the Exchequer to take assignments from Wm. Smisby of debts due to him, and to permit him to recover them in the King's name, as being farmer of forfeitures for not landing sweet wines at Southampton. [*Doc quet.*]

Aug. 21. Commission of Review, renewed, formerly granted to Millicent Conyers, in a cause of matrimony depending in the Court of Delegates between her and Abm. Sunderland. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 21. Grant to Thos. Roades of an almsroom in Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

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Aug. 23. Grant to Thos. Pollard and Joan Woodruff of pardon for incest. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 23. Barnstaple. 102. Mayor, &c. of Barnstaple to the Council. Send up, with a new list of the names of the contributors, 69*l.* 9*s.*, in which is included 4*l.* from Jas. Welsh, formerly paid to the constable of his hundred, but returned to them.

Aug. 24. 115. Locke to Carleton. Lord Falkland is gone to Ireland, and has left the staff to Sir John Suckling. No money to be had till the Lord Treasurer returns from Sussex, &c. News from Spain that the Palatinate is to be restored at once.

Aug. 24. Grant to Hen. Beaumont of the office of Registrar of the Garter, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

Aug. 24. Grant to Hugh Worth, of Somersetshire, of protection for twelve months. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 24. Grant to Hen. Sandys, turn-broach of the King's Kitchen, of an almsroom in St. Peter's, Westminster. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 24. Second letter from the King to the Lord Mayor, Aldermen, and Common Council of London, to admit the Company of Feltmakers to the freedom of the City. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 24. Grant to Geo. Lowe, of London, of protection for six months. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 24. Warrant for a grant of Lyfield Forest, co. Rutland, except Ridlington Park and Beamont Walk, to some person to be nominated by the Lord Admiral, at rent of 26*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, with proviso of satisfaction to the commoners for their interest therein. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 24. Letter to the Lord Chief Justice of the King's Bench, to peruse a patent granted to Roger Wood and Thos. Symcock, for the sole printing of briefs and papers on one side, and the King's proclamation concerning the same, and to order all officers to assist the patentees in execution of their office. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 24. Commission to Sir Wm. Haydon and Chas. Glemham to make a voyage with two ships to the territories of the Great Mogul, and other Princes, between the Cape of Good Hope and the Straits of Le Maire; to satisfy the Mogul with "some choice arts and rarities," and to put their works and inventions in use in those climates. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 28. Presentation of Ant. Lapthorne to the rectory of Hampton alias Minchin-hampton, diocese of Gloucester. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 28. Warrant for a grant to Hen. Gibb, in reversion after Lady Catherine Paget, of fee farm lands not named, value 91*l.* 5*s.* 0½*d.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

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Aug. 28. Grant to Sir And. Gray of 200*l.*, as the King's free gift. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 28. Warrant for a grant of a pension of 500*l.* per ann. to Pat. Ruthven. [*Docquet.*]

Aug. 29? 104. [The Council] to the Mayor and Aldermen of Newcastle. Require them to further John Parsons and others, who, on complaint of the woodmongers, brewers, chandlers, and other traders in sea coal in London, against mixing coal with "unfuellable stuff," are appointed searchers thereof; and to permit them to visit and search in all coal pits, wharfs, vessels, &c., and to give certificates of the nature and quality of the coal. [*Draft, differing from the letter actually sent, as entered in the Council Register.*]

Aug. [29]. Whitehall 105. [The Same to the Officers of Customs of Newcastle]. To permit no vessel carrying coals from Newcastle to have any cocket or discharge without having first obtained a certificate of the search of their coals by the inspectors. [*Draft.*]

[Aug. 29.] 106. Proceedings of the Committee of Council appointed to inquire into the complaints of abuses in mingling of coals at Newcastle. Finding the deceits therein very great and prejudicial, and the complainants offering to pay all expenses of search, they recommend for the present that Sir And. Boyd, who has already taken much pains therein, appoint John Parsons and others as inspectors to survey the coal, and that letters be written accordingly to the Mayor and Aldermen and officers of customs of Newcastle.

Aug. 30. 107. Answer of the Goldsmiths' Company on the comparative weight and value of Spanish ryals and English shillings, and of the expenses of coinage. Suggest that a pound of silver be cut into sixty-five shillings instead of sixty-two.

Aug. 30. 108. Answer of the Merchants of the Spanish [Company], stating their estimate of the value of a Spanish ryal.

Aug. 31. 109. Answer by the Officers of the Mint of the value of Spanish ryals, and the expense of coinage.

Aug. 31. 110. Sir Robt. Heath to Sec. Calvert. Sends the answers of the several parties questioned about Spanish ryals. The business is weighty; we are drawn dry; coin must be brought in from elsewhere, which can only be by assurance of gain to the merchants, in equalling our coin to that of other states. Commends the suggestion made by the Goldsmiths. *Incloses,*

110. I.–III. *Answers of the Officers of the Mint, Spanish Company, and Goldsmiths' Company, as above. Aug.* 30 *and* 31.

Aug.? 111. Note of a scheme to take up Spanish money by sale of cloth, and then to advance its value.

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Aug. 31 ? 112. Proposal to encourage the bringing in of money by making the Spanish ryal pass current at 4*s.* 8*d.*, its true value in English coin, with allowance for want of weight beyond eight grains. The merchants will bring them in at this profit, though they could gain more for them in Holland; and they press for an immediate reply, as the Spanish fleet is coming in, and the money will be brought hither if the merchant can make a reasonable profit.

Aug. 31. London. 113. Locke to Carleton. The Lord Treasurer promises more punctual payments, but is gone into Warwickshire to see a great purchase of the Greville lands. Private affairs. Sir Clement Edmondes not sworn Secretary as expected. Report that Pat. Ruthven will marry Lady Grant.

[Aug.] 114. Dr. John Farmery, Chancellor of Lincoln, to the Bp. of Lincoln. Has cited before his Lordship for refusing contributions to the Palatinate, or the Bishops' Benevolence, the following clergymen :— Mr. Flear, of Lessingham and Cranwell, who is rich but backward; he has also been guilty of simony; Dr. Umphrey, vicar of Pinchbeck, which is worth 100*l.* a year; Geo. Skelton, of Cunesby, worth 200*l.*; James Lening of Belton-o-Hemingby, worth 240*l.* a year. Many are suspended from office for neither appearing nor sending any excuse.

Aug. ? 115. Estimate [by the Ordnance Officers] of emptions for the Phœnix, and of the charge for transporting powder and munition from the Tower to Bristol, for the said ship. Total, 12*l.* 14*s.* 5*d.*

Aug. ? 116. Similar estimate for the Happy Entrance; with note of the charge of transporting munition from the Tower to Chatham, for the said ship. Total 15*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

Aug. ? 117. Request for the King's signature to a lease for Sir Edw. Villiers, of the customs on gold and silver thread imported, at a rent of 250*l.* per ann.; also a lease of 4½*d.* out of the 6*d.* granted to the King by the Corporation of Wiredrawers, on every ounce of gold and silver wire used in manufacture, and of 4*d.* on the seal of every pound of thread, for the same rent. With note of a petition of Sir Edw. Villiers to have the seal of gold and silver thread, and the receipt of the 6*d.* and 4*d.* to be so paid; to be discharged of his last summer's rent, on account of the decay of custom that year, by reason of the establishment of the trade in England. Also of a petition of the Wiredrawers' Corporation for a grant to their several officers of 1½*d.* out of the 6*d.* tax. Also of a request by Hamond Franklin and Ant. Knyvet, of the office of Weigher of Bullion, on surrender by the latter of that of Teller of Monies. [*See Sept.* 22.]

Aug. ? 118. Note that on account of the importance of the office of Weigher of Bullion, the Lord Treasurer is to consider of a grant thereof, with fee limited to 20*l.* a year, till the death or surrender of Ant. Knyvet, Teller of the Monies, when the two offices are to be joined into one. Also that the King grants the keeping of the seal [of Wiredrawers] and the receipt of the 6*d.* and 4*d.*, &c., but requires the

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Attorney General to take care that in this and another grant alluded to there be no increase of expense to His Majesty.

Aug.? 119. Note of directions to the Attorney General to draw up the grant, as requested above, to Sir Edw. Villiers, the Wiredrawers' Company, and Hamond Franklin.

Aug.? 120. Note concerning certain inaccuracies in the above directions to the Attorney General relative to the above grants to the Wiredrawers and Sir Edw. Villiers.

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Sept. 3. Pembroke Hall. 1. Dr. Jerome Beale to Wm. Boswell. Requests him to get the petition of Lady Jermy, who is rigorously dealt with, presented to the Lord Keeper.

Sept. 6. Letter to the Bp. of Chester, signifying the King's pleasure, that Penelope Hillyard, kept and maintained by Sir Rich. Houghton, contrary to the law, should be taken from him, and committed to some place fit for one of her behaviour. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 6. Letter to Sir Rich. Houghton, requiring him to repair to Court to receive communication of the King's pleasure. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 6. Letter to the Archbp. of Canterbury for Wm. Lithgow to be admitted to the Charter House Hospital on the first vacancy, notwithstanding any that may have previous recommendations. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 7. 2. Order [by the Commissioners for regulation of aliens], that, as the retailing of English goods by strangers is hurtful to home trade, all strangers selling to strangers English manufactures are to pay half the duty on such commodities, which would be paid for custom on export, and that all strangers selling English goods to any person, shall also pay half the customs thereon.

Sept.? 3. Petition of the Clothworkers and Dyers of London to the King. Complain, that not being employed by the merchants, many thousands of them are in the greatest distress.

Sept.? 4. Petition of the Dyers of London to the Lord Keeper and other Commissioners for relief of handicraftsmen; entreat relief against foreigners, who are much increased and usurp their trade, more especially as abroad, His Majesty's gracious intent to encourage English manufactures is thwarted by a refusal to buy the cloth.

Sept.? 5. Particulars by the Company of Dyers of London, of their injuries from the great multitude of strangers, dyers.

Sept. 6. Statement of grievances sustained by the Company of Dyers of London, from the exercise of the trade by strangers. They pray

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that certain restrictions and duties may be imposed on stranger dyers, to retaliate for the mischief done to the English by the refusal abroad to receive English cloth. With the rates proposed to be levied on goods dyed by strangers.

Sept. ? 7. Restrictions laid by the Commissioners for aliens on stranger dyers. [*Partially coinciding with those proposed in the above statement.*]

Sept. ? 8. Scale of duties which the Commissioners think fit to be paid by stranger dyers [*being much lower than those proposed in the "Statement," No.* 6.]

Sept. 7. 9. Order [by the Commissioners for aliens], that stranger dyers, who have not served apprenticeship, pay taxes after rates specified on all goods dyed by them, and that the Dyers' Company of London mark all such goods with a peculiar seal, and register them, receiving a recompence for their charges therein.

Sept. 7. 10. Sir Edw. Barkham, Mayor of London, and others, to the King. Have reprieved John Carter, convicted for stealing a horse, as worthy of the King's mercy, the evidence being doubtful, and this his first offence.

Sept. 7. Hatfield. 11. Earl of Salisbury to the Council. The musters in Hertfordshire are satisfactorily completed, and the people ready for service, if required, except some who plead exemption as the King's servants. *Inclose,*

11. 1. *List of five persons who refuse to show their arms at the musters in Hertfordshire, as being in the King's service.*

Sept. 11. 12. Locke to Carleton. Private affairs. An Englishman arrived lately from Spain, and reported that he had seen the solemnization of the marriage between the King of Spain's daughter and the son of the Duke of Florence; he was examined by the Council, when it appeared that he was at a ceremonial in Spain, and, not understanding the language, was told it was this marriage, and believed it. He is imprisoned, but many suppose the tale to be true.

Sept. 11. 13. Particulars of moneys paid by the Clergy of the several dioceses for the first entire subsidy, granted 18 Jac. I. Total 18,780*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.*; also for the contribution in aid of the Palatinate. Total 14,708*l.* 10*s.* 10*d.*

Sept. 12. Creation of Visct. Doncaster to the rank of Earl of Carlisle. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 12. Creation of Visct. Fielding to the rank of Earl of Denbigh. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 12. Creation of Lord Digby to the rank of Earl of Bristol. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 12. Creation of Lord Cranfield to the rank of Earl of Middlesex. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 12. Grant to Dr. Fras. White of the Deanery of Carlisle, in place of Sir Chris. Perkins, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 12. Warrant for a grant to Sir Fras. Beaumont and Chris. Villiers, on surrender of a like grant by Visct. Purbeck of a pension of 1,000*l.* per ann., out of the imposition on currants. [*Docquet, Sept.* 12 *and Oct.* 7.]

Sept. 12. Grant to Robt. Beeche of the office of King's Trumpeter, in place of Rich. Pittock, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 12. Warrant for a grant to John Conyers, and his assigns, of leases, value 60*l.* per ann., of concealed lands, to be discovered by him. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 12. Grant to Robt. Wharton of an almsroom in Chester. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 13. Tickenhill. 14. Earl of Northampton, Lord President of Wales, and Sir Jas. Whitelock, Chief Justice of Chester, to the Council. Request that until they have had time to examine into the business of the Oswestry market, the Shrewsbury drapers may be permitted to buy up the cloth now lying on hand in Shrewsbury market.

Sept. 13. Norwich. 15. Mayor, &c. of Norwich to the Same. Wished to raise the contribution to the scale of a subsidy and a half, but fail from the poverty of some, and the disaffection of others so numerous that their names cannot be sent. Have collected 571*l.* 4*s.* 2*d.*, and crave order for proceeding against refusers or too small givers, by which they hope to advance the contribution.

Sept. 13. 16. Gests of the King's progresses since June 29, 1622, between London, Windsor, Theobalds, Farnham, and neighbouring places.

Sept. 15. Pembroke Hall, Cambridge. 17. Dr. Jerome Beale to Wm. Boswell. Lady Jermy has received much satisfaction by the grant of her second petition, and wishes no expense to be spared to obtain the former. The Commissioners who sat at Newmarket, on the Willingham controversy for rating Sir Miles Sandys and others, are reported to have decided that landholders be permitted to feed beasts in the fens in proportion to the acres they hold, and poor cottagers allowed a proportion of cattle. The poor tenants of Jesus College are in bad plight, and repent trusting too much to Sir Miles.

Sept. 16. York. 18. Emanuel Lord Scrope to Sec. Calvert. Has unfortunately left behind him in London the letters of Council containing instructions to settle the complaint of Mr. Nelson against Sir Wm. Ellis, and cannot send for them without great risk, they being among other valuable evidences and papers. Begs to be excused settling the affair till his next return from town, and to be acquitted of wilful neglect.

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Sept. 16. Weymouth and Melcombe Regis. 19. Mayor of Weymouth to the Council. Has stayed the ship Catherine, belonging to Fras. Birges, of Sable d'Olonne, according to their orders, &c., but Capt. White could not be taken, being from home.

Sept. 17. Westminster College. 20. Lord Keeper Williams to the Earl of Arran. As to the offence taken by many, both in England and Scotland, at the King's release of recusants, the common people are unable to penetrate the actions of Kings. Is no favourer of Popery, but thinks this step proper, because His Majesty could not hope to mediate successfully for distressed Protestants in France, Germany, &c. whilst he was rigorous with Papists in England. No toleration for the future is intended, and those freed are only released on recognizances, and will be remanded if they presume on their privilege. Favour to Papists implies no favour to Popery; the King has always, by example, writing, and legislation, proved himself a true Protestant. Excuses his own letter to the judges, as being merely explanatory; it pointed out the classes of recusants to be spared, excluding thereby all priests or seducers from religion, or aspersers of government.

Sept. 17. 21. Copy of the above.

Sept. 17. Letter to Sir Jas. Whitelock and Sir Edw. Lloyd, Justices of Assize, co. Chester, to terminate a suit to be tried at Chester between Sir John Davenport and Thos. Sweetenham, and others, and also to make a composition between John Davenport, son of Sir John, and his creditors. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Release and discharge to the Lord Admiral, on satisfaction by him given to His Majesty, for moneys received from the King, or from others by His Majesty's appointment, before the 1st of July last. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Warrant for an order of surrender to His Majesty, from the Lord Admiral, of the manor of Spalding, co. Lincoln, and other lands, value 723*l.* 18*s.* 2½*d.*; and for particulars to be made of other lands, to be granted to him in lieu thereof. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Grant to Sir Edw. Villiers of a lease of the customs and subsidies on gold and silver thread, &c; similar to a grant heretofore made to Roger Pennell and Rich. Grimstone, on condition of his surrender of the place of Master Worker of the Mint. [*Docquet, Aug.* 21 *and Sept.* 23.]

Sept. 23. Warrant to the Lord Admiral for taking up twenty mariners and one conductor, to convey certain galleons from Scotland into Flanders, at the suit of the Spanish Ambassador. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Grant to Chris. Eland of the sole making of white and red lead, on condition of his buying from the present makers the fifty or sixty tons per ann. which they manufacture. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Warrant to discharge Sir John Cage, some time High Sheriff of Cambridgeshire, from divers fines imposed on him by the Commissioners of Sewers, on his payment of 300*l.*, by Order of Council, to the patentees for those fines. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 23. Warrant to pay 500*l.* to Geo. Gage, about to be employed in foreign parts for the King's special service. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Warrant for payment of the usual reward to the huntsmen who have attended the King from Midsummer last. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Warrant for delivery of red cloth, &c., for livery, to John Lewgar, the King's coffer-maker, in place of Thos. Pulford, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Grant, with survivorship, to Fras. Staveley and Gregory Julian, of the office of Receiver of Moneys payable by the Company of Starch Makers of London. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. Grant to John Wilson of the office of Messenger of the King's Chamber in ordinary, in place of John Simpson, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 23. 22. Merchant Commissioners of the Pirate Expedition to the Council. Request them to enjoin the companies of merchants to pay without delay the arrears of their contributions; cannot otherwise prevent the complaints of shipowners and others, who are still unpaid.

Sept. 23. Maidstone. 23. Sir Geo. Fane and others to the Council. Have made strict inquiry into the export of fullers' earth, and find that Mr. Brewer has sold 450 loads, and Rich. Rhodes 75 loads, but all for transport to other ports of England.

Sept. 25. London. 24. Chamberlain to Carleton. The harvest has been scanty. Death of Lord and Lady Knyvet, and of Sir Chris. Perkins, Jesuit, Doctor, Dean, Master of Requests, and what not. The Dean of St. Paul's has preached at St. Paul's Cross, on the King's late orders concerning preachers and preaching, His Majesty's constancy in religion being suspected. The Countess of Buckingham has relapsed to Popery; she is sent from Court, but some say it is because of a quarrel with her daughter-in-law. Creations of peerages. The King has removed from Theobalds to Havering, thence to Newhall, the late purchase of Buckingham, who has bought it cheaply for 20,000*l.*, the land being worth 1,200*l.* a year, and the house, which is to be altered by Inigo Jones, the King's surveyor, worth 14,000*l.* Tobie Matthew is gone to his father; Mr. Gage, his Fidus Achates, is come from Rome, with a draft of the dispensation for the Spanish match, &c.

Sept. 25. 25. Locke to Carleton. Cannot yet obtain Carleton's money, though the arrears are 2,895*l.* The States proceed slowly in their business; they have had eight appointments with the Lords, which have not been kept. The King is now feasting at Buckingham's house, at Newhall, Essex. The news of the loss of Heidelberg arrived, &c.

Sept. 26. Grant to Fras. Browne, son and heir of Visct. Montague, of licence to travel for three years. [*Docquet.*]

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Sept. 26. Letter to the Lord Keeper for making certain strangers free denizens of the kingdom, at suit of John Gaspar Woolfen, Gentleman of the Privy Chamber. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 26. Letter to the Archbp. of Canterbury for Gavin Hume to be admitted to a place in the Charter House. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 26. Grant to Sara Harrison of a Sister's place in St. Katherine's, near the Tower. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 26. Grant to Matt. Wells of an almsroom in Christ Church, Oxford. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 26. Grant to Cuthbert Kirkpatrick of an almsroom in Carlisle. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 26. Grant to David Maurice of an almsroom in Chester. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 26. Grant to John Lynn of an almsroom in St. Peter's, Westminster. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 26. Letter to the Bp. of Bangor for Dan. Louhet to be admitted to the donative of Llandinam, vice Paul de Ravoire, deceased. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 27. St. Anthony. 26. Wm. Carnsew to Sir Rich. Carnsew. Thos. Stevens' sister requires present money, to pay 330*l.* at Oxford for her husband's legacies; viz., 100*l.* to maintain poor scholars at Exeter, 100*l.* to the University library, 100*l.* to St. Michael's, where his son lies buried, 20*l.* for a scaffold for scholars in that church, and 10*l.* to Dr. Prideaux.

Sept. ? 27. Commission from the King to [the Lord President of the Council, Earl of Northampton, Lord Scrope, and numerous others], stating that a committee of twelve persons appointed to confer with merchants on the decay of trade, have certified their opinions to Council on the causes thereof, which are partially remedied by proclamation; but the case being important, and requiring constant regulation, they are appointed still to investigate the remedies required to raise the price of wools, prevent their export, and secure the import of Scotch and Irish wools into England, instead of to other countries; also to prevent deceits in the manufacture and dyeing of woollen goods and new draperies; to obviate mischief to trade by the private regulations of the Merchant Adventurers or other companies; to consider the causes of the scarcity of coin, the balance of exports and imports, and what branches of trade for export should be encouraged; also how the Navy may be strengthened, the Eastland and East India Companies encouraged, the growth of hemp and flax in England, and the general wearing of English cloth promoted, &c.

Sept. ? 28. Copy of the above, with corrections.

Sept. 28. 29. Copy of the above, with the names of the Commissioners supplied, and note by Visct. Mandeville of the King's pleasure that the commission be engrossed and prepared for his signature.

Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, Oct.* 10.]

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Sept. 28. Peter house. 30. Vice Chancellor and Mayor and Citizens of Cambridge to the Council. According to an order given three years before, the authorities have levied an assessment upon the inhabitants, for repaying to Hen. King and Nath. Cradock the sums by them disbursed for the conduit and watercourse lately brought to Market Hill, but many of the inhabitants refuse to pay the assessment. Certify the names of the principal, that by their reformation the rest may be brought to submit.

Sept. 28. Hampton Court. Sir Fras. Nethersole to Carleton. Sir Edw. Conway is to be Secretary of State. The Prince, Lord Treasurer, and Council are all anxious for the King to vindicate his honour. A Parliament is talked of, and the pardon, long delayed, is preparing. The match with Spain is given up by most, but Mr. Porter, of the Prince's Bedchamber, is to be despatched thither, to fix with Lord Digby a time for either concluding or breaking it off. A large Spanish fleet is putting to sea; it is professed that it is not for England; fears the King's trust may be deceived. [*Germ. Corresp., Sept.* 28.]

Sept. 30. Hampton Court. 31. The King to Pope Gregory XV. Addresses him for the first time, they being both believers in the doctrine of the Trinity, and of redemption through Christ alone, and entreats him to use his utmost efforts for the cessation of the discords and slaughters in the Christian world, and for restoring the friendship of princes, since no more desirable deed can signalize his Pontificate. Requests credence for Geo. Gage, sent to explain these things more fully. Latin. [*Copy; with note that the original was signed by the King, attested by the Prince and Buckingham, and delivered to Mr. Gage.*]

Sept. 30. Warrant for payment of 742*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.* to Sir Rich. Morrison, to be paid over to John Evelyn for exchanging certain damaged and unserviceable gunpowder, returned from the King's castles, forts, &c., for good powder, at the rate of 2½*d.* per lb. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Warrant to pay to Ant. Andrewes, Under Keeper of Greenwich Park, 16*l.* 17*s.*, for hire of a mole-catcher and feeding a brace of bucks, &c., for St. George's Feast, yearly for three years past; also to pay him 20*s.*, to be by him paid to the Vicar of Greenwich, for tithes due for the part of the park enlarged out of Blackheath Common, and to pay him similar allowances in future. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Warrant to pay 232*l.* 15*s.* to David Ramsay, the King's clockmaker, for repairing clocks at Theobalds, Oatlands, and Westminster, and for making a chime of bells adjoining to the clock at Theobalds. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. 30. Grant to Thos. White of the office of Keeper of the Common Gaol of the County of Stafford. [*Docquet.*]

Sept. Note of request, by Sir T—— C——, Groom Porter, of allowance for two burdens daily of boughs of birch, oak, hawthorn, &c.,

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provided for "trimming up of His Maties chamber of presence and privie chamber, for the past half year." [*Dom. Corresp., March* 3, 1612.]

Sept. ? 32. Muster roll of the garrison of Sandown Castle.

Sept. ? 33. Petition of Simon Edes, of London, Merchant, to Lord Treasurer Middlesex. Craves compensation for 400*l.* granted him on error or deceit in accounts due to His Majesty, which errors were detected in Lord Knyvet's Mint accounts, but the payment prevented by a pardon granted to Lord Knyvet.

Sept. ? 34. Note of the sums paid by certain stranger dyers, according to the rates set down by the Commissioners.

Sept. ? 35. Abstract of the causes agreed upon by all [the Commissioners ?] as preventing the sale of cloth; viz. deceits in making it, paucity of buyers, great impositions laid on it; also of foreign causes, viz., wars in Germany, manufacture of cloth abroad, want of more fit marts for merchants, and export of Scotch and Irish wools; with suggestions for remedies to each point.

Sept. ? 36. Account addressed to "his Lordship" of the different classes of workpeople concerned in the dressing and sale of woollen cloths, showing the advantage derived from those retail buyers who transfer from the clothier to the merchant, pack up the cloths, sell them in the cloth halls, &c.

Sept. ? 37. Statement, by the shearers of Welsh cloth, of the increased amount of labour now required in dressing cloths; with request for proportional increase of wages.

Oct. 3. Letter to the Lord Keeper to restrain Lady Buckley from embezzling the estate belonging to her husband's grandchild, which she has attempted on pretext of a revoked will. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Presentation of Edm. Price to the rectory of Llanbeulan, Isle of Anglesey. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Grant to Thos. Whisteler of pardon for manslaughter. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Warrant to pay to Sir Robt. Vernon 150*l.*, for lands of his inheritance belonging to the Swan at Newmarket, taken for building offices for the King's use. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 3. Whitehall. 38. Blank forms of warrant from Council, to a messenger of the chamber, to bring up a delinquent; to officers of justice, &c., to assist therein; to the messenger, to bring him before the Council; also of certificates of his appearance and dismissal; warrant for his committal to prison or to close custody; for admission of persons to see him; and for his chastisement by scourging. *Indorsed is,*

38. I. —— *to Lord* ——. *Was like a tender plant uprooted by the fall of the great tree which has long sheltered it, till his Lordship stretched out a succouring hand.*

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Oct. 5. London. 39. Chamberlain to Carleton. General rejoicing at Spinola's being compelled to raise the siege of Bergen; the States' Commissioners made a great feast on account of it. Severe tempests and many wrecks on the coasts. Contests between the Dunkirkers and Hollanders; the latter took a vessel sent by the Spanish Ambassadors to relieve some Dunkirkers who had been driven to Leith. The King begins to see that his patience is abused by Spain in the Palatinate business. Cottington has returned from Spain, and Endymion Porter is going thither. The King goes from Hampton Court to Theobalds, and thence to Royston. The report of Naunton's restoration to office is false.

Oct. 5 ? 40. Endymion Porter to his wife. Hopes the King's favour will not make her lessen her care of him; is on his journey, but will hasten his return for her sake.

Oct. 7. Grant of a Trumpeter's place in ordinary to Edw. Jukes. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 7. Warrant for delivery to the Same of certain allowances for his livery. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 7. Warrant for delivery of stuff to Robt. Norman, one of the Prince's Huntsmen, for his livery. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 7. Westminster. 41. Declaration by the King, that no grants, &c. relating to the revenue of Ireland and customs and impositions in England, be suffered to pass, unless considered of by the Lord Treasurer and other officers; nor grant of Exchequer lands, pensions, or allowances, without consent of the Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer; nor grant of lands of the Duchy of Lancaster, unless first made known to the Chancellor, &c. of the Duchy.

Oct. 7. Docquet of the above.

Oct. 7. Warrant to Sir Wm. Uvedale to preserve the game in West Beere Forest and elsewhere, co. Hants. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 9. 42. Petition of John Crumpton, Secondary of Wood Street Counter, London, to the Council, for release from the Marshalsea, his offence in granting a warrant contrary to the orders of the Board being committed through ignorance, not presumption, and his services being needed in the execution of writs under the Sheriffs. With order thereon.

Oct. 9. From the Fort [Plymouth]. 43. Sir Robt. Gorges to Sir Thos. Wise. The mariners who lay claim to Jentlelott's ship will not deliver her to Capt. Fleurie, though he is appointed General by M. Soubise, and promises to redeliver the ship to Jentlelott on their arrival at Rochelle. M. Soubise appeals for assistance therein. Is loath to use extremities without further directions.

Oct. 10. Grant to Thos. Merrill and his heirs, of sixteen acres of ground in Cobham, co. Kent, forfeited on attainder of John Haies, and discovered by Merrill, with arrears of rent incurred since the attainder. [*Docquet.*]

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Oct. 10. Grant to David Greime of an almsroom in Durham. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 11. Warrant for imposing an additional duty of 10*s.* per cwt. on foreign hops imported into the realm, for supply of the King's affairs touching the Palatinate, to be continued till some course is adopted thereon by Parliament. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 11. 44. List of the armour, &c. to be provided by the clergy of the archdeaconry of Leicester; with note, by Sir John Lambe, that he has sent a copy of the list to the Earl of Huntingdon, Lord Lieutenant of Leicestershire.

Oct. 12. 45. The Council to the King. Detail the directions which they have sent to the Deputy and Council of Ireland, in response to their letters. Advise the recall of the Commissioners from thence. Have appointed special committees for drawing commissions for His Majesty's appointments of Deputy Lieutenants of counties; for appointing the justices of peace; receiving petitions on new suits; considering the grievances left unredressed by Parliament; taking measures for defence of the kingdom, by provision of powder, exercise of the trained bands, &c.

Oct. [12]. 46. Notes of the Lord President for drawing up the above letter to the King.

Oct. 12? 47. Bailiff and Jurats of Lydd to Lord Zouch. Have collected such moneys as were freely given towards the contribution for the King of Bohemia, and send the sum, with the names of the contributors.

Oct 12. London. 48. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King is at Royston. The Prince and Council consult daily at Whitehall; the Prince is very anxious about the Palatinate, but nothing can be done unless they will strike at the root. Mr. Cottington says they were troubled in Spain at the siege of Heidelberg, and that five commissioners are appointed to treat of the match. The power of making justices of peace is transferred from the Lord Keeper to the Council, and that of making Deputy Lieutenants of counties from the Lord Lieutenants to the King. His Majesty has settled a dispute between the Lord Treasurer and the Lord Keeper, who misses his wonted stay, the Countess of Buckingham. Rumours of affairs in France and Flanders. Sir Edw. Conway is likely to be Secretary; Buckingham pronounces him excellent company. Sir John Dormer has married Judge Croke's widow.

Oct. 12. 49. Locke to the Same. Peace concluded between the King of France and the Protestants. The Irish are in hopes of a toleration of religion. There are many defects in Ireland, which are to be reformed. The soldiers' pay is in arrears for three years. Manheim is little better than lost. Accident to Mr. Porter, when on his way to Spain. Sir Clement Edmondes has died of an apoplexy, &c.

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Oct. 14. Pembroke Hall. 50. Dr. Jerome Beale to Wm. Boswell. Sir Miles Sandys is extremely dissatisfied with the reported decision of the Commissioners on the Willingham case, as to the allotment of cattle for the fens, and is procuring signatures to a petition that the land be equally divided amongst all the claimants, poor or rich. Entreats respect for the rights of his manor and parsonage.

Oct. 17. 51. Sir Edw. Conway to Carleton. Mr. Porter's mishap will stop all speedy resolutions. The Prince is diligent in Council, and shows much judgment and resolution.

Oct. 18. Grant to Sir Wm. Bruncard of all sums forfeited by jurors, until the year 1639. [*Grant Bk., p.* 349.]

Oct. 19. The usual yearly warrant to the Master of the Great Wardrobe, for watch liveries for the Captain of the Guards and Yeomen, Grooms, and Pages of the Chamber. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 19. Grant to John Manners of licence to travel for three years. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 19. Grant to Sir Wm. Herrick of confirmation of the manor of Beaumanor and other lands, co. Leicester, with an alteration of the tenure from Knight's service to soccage. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 19. Grant to Hen. Bridges of pardon for all burglaries committed before His Majesty's reign. [*Docquet,*]

Oct. 19. Grant to John Powell of the keeping of the Park of Barton-under-Needwood, co. Stafford. [*Docquet,*]

Oct. 19. Grant to Hugh Middleton of the rank of Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 19. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. [19]. 52. [The Council to the Justices of Peace of all the counties in England and Wales]. The present dearness of corn is to be relieved by the use of barley, which in scarce times is usually the bread-corn of the poor; but much of it being consumed in making strong ales drunk in alehouses, they are to suppress all such alehouses as are not needful for convenience of the people, and to take strict care that in those still permitted, the beer and ale brewed are only of moderate strength.

Oct. 20. Propagandist College, Rome. 53. Licence from Pope Urban VIII. to Jas. Redoch, pupil of the Scotch College, to return and preach in Scotland, exhorting him to repress heresy, and be faithful to his ministry, even to death. Latin.

Oct. 22. Tavistock. 54. Earl of Bath to the Council. The musters in Devonshire are very satisfactory, the yearly holding of them preventing defects from creeping in; requests that their Lordships' letters for the next musters may be sent to him as soon after Christmas as possible, the time between Lent and Whitsuntide being most convenient in the county for holding them.

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Oct. 24. Hinchinbrook. Sir Fras. N[ethersole] to Carleton. The King refuses to assent to a Parliament till he finds, on Porter's return, whether he will have to break with Spain. Buckingham suggested meanwhile that the Council and others should raise another contribution for the King, and promised a handsome sum, but the Lords refused. [*Germ. Corresp., Oct.* 24, 1622.]

Oct. 25. Whitehall. 55. Sir Edw. Herbert to Sec. Calvert. Requests him to grant to the bearer, Adrian de Rocquigny, his warrant for payment of a packet, which he brought from Paris on the King's service. French.

Oct. 25. London. 56. Capt. Chas. Glemham to Sir Hen. Mainwaring. Sends an old acquaintance, as allowed by the Lord Warden, to be sworn in a Gunner's place at Sandown Castle.

Oct. 25 ? 57. Lord Treasurer Middlesex to ———. Conveys the King's express command, that the 6,000*l.* should be paid to the Queen [of Bohemia] his daughter, as she shall be pleased to direct, for her own use, that she may not incur dishonour by debt. [Fragment.]

Oct. 25. Warrant for payment, out of the farms of Customs, due in March next, of 6,000*l.*, to Philip Burlamachi and Philip Jacobson, with interest thereon, at ten per cent, which sum they have agreed to advance for payment of the forces in the Palatinate. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 25. Warrant for the officers of the Exchequer to take assignment of a bond in which Wm. Kenton is bound for payment of 200*l.* to Edm. Morgan, the King's brewer, in order that Morgan may get in the debt in the King's name, he and others having agreed to pay 3,000*l.* a year for the composition of 4*d.* on each quarter of malt brewed in London. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 25. Letter to Sir Nath. Rich, authorizing him to deliver to Sir John King the bonds entered into by Visct. Dillon for payment of certain sums to the Earl of Oxford, of which 1,500*l.* is yet unpaid, and to give Sir John King power to recover the remainder; the money to remain at His Majesty's disposal. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 25. Westminster. 58. Abraham Williams to Carleton. Has not got money from the Lord Treasurer, but is sending over beer, wood, and charcoal.

Oct. 26. London. 59. Chamberlain to the Same. The King is at Hinchinbrook, which was Sir Oliver Cromwell's. The States' Commissioners went to Royston to take leave, but His Majesty promises to settle the point of the damages between them and the East India Company, if it may be left to him. M. Soubise took a rich Dunkirk ship, and brought her into Plymouth, but an order was sent to let her go. There have been many projects to raise money, such as to find 100 persons who would lend 1,000*l.* each; to give the King the full revenue of letting all wards' lands; to demand a year's salary from all officers of Government, and a year's rent from courtiers and nobles; or

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to borrow from the City; but it was remembered how impoverished it is since the last loan, and it is a strange sight to see meaner trades creep into Goldsmiths' Row, the glory and beauty of Cheapside. After all, the plain ancient way of Parliament is fittest, but the King will not be persuaded to it, unless things can be despatched more quickly, therefore the pardon, and the balancing of trade, reducing of officers' fees, &c., are to be prepared beforehand. Talk of a new dignity of Vidams, between a Knight and a Baronet. Hugh Middleton, a goldsmith, made a Baronet for bringing water into London, and finding out a silver mine in Wales. Mr. Cottington is made Secretary to the Prince. Mr. Gage returns to Rome, to amend a proviso in the dispensation for too free allowance of worship to the Infanta.

Oct. 26. Plymouth. 60. Sir Rob. Gorges to the Council. Has endeavoured, according to order, to sequester a ship of Newhaven, taken by the Rochellers, near whose land it was cast on shore; but Sir Thos. Wise encouraged the English mariners who were in it to refuse obedience to orders, to detain the ship, and to recapture the ordnance when attempted to be removed.

Oct. 28. Whitehall. 61. [Commissioners for Defective Titles] to Lord Petre. Require him to send, before Nov. 8, to Mr. Typper's office, to compound for certain manors and lands whose titles are defective. The arrears of rent will be pardoned, and the right secured in future. Should he neglect this, other courses will have to be taken therein.

Oct. 28. Middle Temple. 62. Rich. Smyth to the Duke of Lenox, Lord Steward. Sends, according to his command, a view of the records concerning the jurisdiction of the Lord Steward, Treasurer, and Comptroller of the King's Household, not as now exercised, but as originally instituted. *Annexing,*

62. 1. *Treatise on the dignity and function of the Lord Steward, his judicial power in household government, and also in civil and criminal causes within the verge of the household and the Court of Marshalsea, and the subordination to him of other officers of the Green Cloth; also remarks on the offices of the Treasurer and Comptroller of the Household in matters of treasure and purveyance; with citations of the statutes on which they are founded, &c.*

Oct. 28? 63. Sir Edw. Barkham, Lord Mayor of London, and the Court of Aldermen of London, to the Council. The information given by the Weavers' Company to their Lordships is incomplete. They have omitted to state that, after the order of the Court that all weavers in London should enter the company, on the representations of the silk weavers of the injuries they should sustain by such a decision, and on their promise to submit to any regulations prescribed for their government, it was agreed that the question should be decided by a friendly trial, notwithstanding which the Weavers' Company have again appealed to Council. [*See June* 26.]

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Oct. 28? 64. Answer of the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London [to the Council], on the petition of Wm. Goade and other maltsters of Henley-upon-Thames, showing that their complaints against the Billingsgate porters are unfounded, they being an established company under fixed rules, and not complained of by other parties who use them much more than the maltsters.

Oct. 29. Sandwich. 65. Mayor of Sandwich to Lord Zouch Has received, since the last payments made, 10*l.* 11*s.* 10*d.* from Brightlingsea, co. Essex, towards the contribution for Bohemia.

Oct. 29. Commission to Wm. Earl of Pembroke touching the Wardrobe. [*Grant Bk., p.* 352.]

Oct. 30. Grant to Walter Preist of pardon for manslaughter of John Rudston, the deed being done suddenly, and he of general good behaviour. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. Grant to Gifford Thornhurst, of Agne Court, co. Kent, of the rank of a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. Grant to the Same of discharge of 1,095*l.*, due on being created a Baronet. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. Grant to Sir Edm. Bacon and his heirs, of confirmation of certain liberties in the town of Bury [St. Edmund's] the hundreds of Thingoe, Thedwestry, and other hundreds and manors, co. Suffolk, part of which were allowed to the late Lord Keeper, Sir Nich. Bacon, and the residue to Sir Nich. Bacon, father of Sir Edmund. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. Commission to Sir John Suckling, Comptroller of the Household, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and others, requiring them to consider suits referred to them by the King and Council, and report thereon. [*Docquet.*]

Oct. 31. 66. Visitors of Corpus Christi College, Cambridge, to the Council. On hearing the cause between the citizens of Norwich and the Master of that college, have adjudged that the college has done the city no wrong, the complaints being so fully answered that even the city agents were satisfied. *Inclose,*

66. 1. *Report by the above visitors of proceedings at their meetings, May* 22 *and July* 16, 1622, *for examinations of the above cause; of the complaints brought against the college on behalf of the Mayor and Citizens of Norwich, for detaining certain rooms from the Norwich students, charging them fees beyond those stipulated by covenant, not electing them to fellowships, &c.; and of the replies of the College; with decision of the visitors thereon that the college has not only fulfilled the covenants, but conferred many favours on Norwich students. Oct.* 31.

Oct. 31? 67. Petition of the Inhabitants and Colliers in Griffe and Bedworth, co. Warwick [to the Same?], against John Briggs, and his two sons, John and Anthony, and Thos. and Ant. Robinson, who having coal

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1622. mines in Bedworth, and wishing to sell the coal at their own prices, endeavour to frustrate the working of the coal mines in the lordship of Griffe, by turning water into the pits, &c.

[Oct. 31.] 68. Petition of Mat. Collins and John Potter, citizens of Coventry, for themselves and others, to the Same. John Briggs and his partners, wishing to sell their coals at 5*s.* 1*d.* per load, bought out several parties who were working for coal near the petitioners; they leased several coal mines near Coventry, covenanting to sell at 3*s.* 5*d.* the load, and refused to be bought out, on which Briggs and his partners tried to ruin them by letting the water into their pits. Entreat redress.

Oct. ? 69. Petition of the poor Colliers of Bedworth, Exhall, and Folshull, tenants of John Briggs and Thos. Robinson, Farmers of the great coal mine at Bedworth, co. Warwick, to the Same. The mine at Bedworth, after being long unworked, was undertaken by Briggs and Robinson, who thereby employ 500 persons, give houses rent free, and coals to many poor workmen, and to the orphans and widows of others. The mine is sufficient to serve the country forty miles round, but will be stopped if Matt. Collins and others of Coventry are permitted to work another coal mine near. Entreat favour therein.

Oct. 70. Book of the proportions of ordnance to be hereafter allowed for all the King's ships and pinnaces; with the number, weight, and length of the pieces, as recommended by the Commissioners of the Navy to the Lord Admiral and Master of the Ordnance, and by them confirmed and ordered to be observed.

Oct. 71. Commissioners of the Navy to Sir R. Pye. Of the 800*l.* payable for the Navy for October, the Treasurer is to receive 330*l.*, the Surveyors of Victuals 470*l.*

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Nov. 2. London. 1. Sir John Ogle to Carleton. Acknowledges favours.

Nov. 4. London. 2. Chamberlain to the Same. The roads are so impassable with floods, that it is feared the King will not get well to Theobalds. Lord Belfast has returned, displeased with the cunning of the Spaniards and Imperialists; but the match is still treating, on the terms that they are to restore the Palatinate, and we to refrain from helping the Low Countries. The King is to settle a quarrel between the new Lord Montague and Sir Fras. Fane, who spoke disrespectfully of him about county causes. The Bp. of Bristol is dead, but the place is so poor that there are few suitors for it.

Nov. 4. 3. Locke to the Same. Lord Belfast has delivered a lamentable letter from Frankenthal, entreating a general collection throughout the kingdom for their relief, but nothing is likely to be done in it. Private affairs.

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Nov. 5. Theobalds. Proclamation forbidding the sale of spices, drugs, seeds, and other things garbleable, without due certificate from the patentees that they have been searched and garbled. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 105.]

Nov. 6. Theobalds. Proclamation forbidding any to trade to the portion of America called New England, being the whole breadth of the land between 40 and 48 degrees of north latitude, excepting those of the Virginia Company, the plantation having been much hindered by interlopers, who have injured the woods, damaged the harbours, trafficked with the savages, and even sold them weapons, and taught them the use thereof. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 106.]

Nov. 7. Theobalds. Proclamation to encourage the Commissioners for Buildings to proceed in their work, the beauty and conveniency of brick buildings being now generally acknowledged, and issuing directions for the good and true making of bricks, the size to be 9 inches by $4\frac{3}{8}$, and $2\frac{1}{4}$ in thickness, and to be sold at not more than 8*s.* the 1,000, at the kiln. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 107.]

Nov. 7. Grant to John Dickinson of a Clerkship in the Privy Council. [*Grant Bk., p.* 363.]

Nov. 8. Theobalds. 4. Justices of Cumberland to the Council. Have with great difficulty persuaded the chief inhabitants, who suffer much by scarcity of corn, to pay the rate of one entire subsidy towards the contribution, which amounts to 82*l.* 18*s.*

Nov. 8. Norwich. 5. Mayor, &c. of Norwich to the Council. Find great difficulty in executing their orders against vain consumption of corn by unnecessary alehouses or immoderately strong beer. The brewers evade the orders, and though the price of beer is fixed at 6*s.* to 4*s.* the barrel, the tipplers give extra malt to be put into their beer to make it stronger, and then only pay the limited prices. Beg leave to bind over any maltster disobeying the orders for suppression to appear before Council, and also to seize on all beer suspected to be too strong, paying for it 6*d.* a barrel beyond the price limited, and to sell it again, this being the best means to suppress false practices.

Nov. 9. Royston. 6. Buckingham to Thos Meautys. Thinks he should repay to Cottington the 450*l.* which he gave for the place, but the sum shall be allowed him from the making of a baronet, if he will find a fitting man.

Nov. 12. Arrow. 7. Thos. Case to Sir Edw. Conway. Asks him to appoint a deputy for sealing the leases between them for the tithes of Arrow, Ragley, and Oversley.

Nov. 12. Newmarket. 8. Wm. Hawkins to Wm. Lane. Inquires whether all the commissions for preserving the game within sixteen miles of Royston have passed the Seal.

Nov. 13? 9. Petition of the Mayor and Aldermen of Chichester to the Council, that John Bayley, who was committed to the Marshalsea, but released on his promise of submission to the magistrates of the

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city, may be punished, he having not only refused, since his release, to make the required submission, but conducted himself in a disorderly manner. *Annexing,*

9. I. *Articles against John Bayley to be exhibited to Council. His denial of his petition to Council, in which he promised to submit to the magistrates; his refusal to provide a musket at the musters; his abusive treatment of a constable, and reviling language before the board of magistrates, &c.*

Nov. 14. Grant to Isaac Barrow to be a Fellow of Chelsea College, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 349.]

Nov. 14. Grant to Mark Ant. de Dominy to be one of the Society of King James's College, at Chelsea, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 363.]

Nov. 15. 10. Cuthbert Hackett, Governor of the Muscovy Company, to the Council. Sends a certificate of those who refuse to pay their thirds, as levied by the Commissioners, towards the defrayal of the Company's debts. [*See Dec.* 17, 1621.]

Nov. 15. 11. Licence, by Sir Hen. Hobart, Chancellor of Prince Charles, and his other officers, for Michael West, of Towcester, co. Northampton, to alienate certain lands in Blisworth, same county.

Nov. 15. Usk. 12. Justices of Monmouthshire to the Council. Found the people willing to contribute, according to their small ability. Send a schedule of the contributions of the several hundreds.

Nov. 16. Newmarket. 13. Buckingham to Sir Edw. Conway. Will spread as widely as possible the reasons for surrendering the town [Manheim]. The King will be glad for Conway to be at Newmarket to meet the Dutch Commissioners, and to bring his hawk with him.

Nov. 16. 14. Locke to Carleton. His Privy Seal is despatched. On the loss of Manheim, the King of Spain promises to help to recover the Palatinate, if the Emperor does not deliver it up.

Nov. 16. London. 15. Chamberlain to the Same. Great strife about the elections of the Sheriffs; those whose names are returned often escape, and others are chosen unexpectedly, such as have been too forward in Parliament, or too backward in the benevolence. Sir Edw. Coke is free to go where he pleases, and has returned to the Temple; also the Earl of Northumberland, who stays at Essex House or Syon. Sir Edw. Conway is to succeed as Secretary to Sir Robt. Naunton, who is to have 500*l.* a year. The Virginia Company invited many of the nobility to a feast; the Dean of Paul's preached the sermon. The surrender of Manheim generally regretted, it being reported that the Infanta threatened to force Tilly to raise the siege.

Nov. 16. Westminster. Grant to Michael Vasco, Priest, Vicar of Exeter Cathedral, of pardon for incontinence, of which he was unjustly accused. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 47.]

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Nov. 18. 16. Indenture, transferring to Nath. Weston and Giles Poulton, of London, on their payment of 50*l.*, the lease of a messuage in St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, demised by Wm. Joyce to Martha Harpur, with proviso of redemption on repayment of the same.

Nov. 20. 17. Memorandum, that Wm. Tiffin, of London, Clothworker, agrees to pay 5*l.* half yearly, as interest on 105*l.* which he and Sir Geo. Lampleigh are bound to pay to Robt. Campbell, Ironmonger.

Nov. 20. Pembroke Hall. 18. Dr. Jerome Beale to Wm. Boswell. Thanks for his care in the cause in which the town of Willingham and Jesus College are defendants against Sir Miles Sandys, &c.

[Nov. 20.] 19. Petition of the eight Overseers of the Company of Watermen to the Council, for suppressing the violent proceedings against them of David Parry, Waterman, who has arrested them all, and threatens to overthrow their government. With reference thereon.

Nov. 20. 20. Locke to Carleton. The Bp. of Norwich has introduced Mr. Scot's brother to the Archbp. of Canterbury, who promises him to favour his brother. Some say that if General Vere had stayed in Manheim, he would not have been further molested.

Nov. 20. Newmarket. Proclamation commanding noblemen, knights, and gentlemen of quality, excepting the Privy Council and Officers of the King or Prince, to repair to their mansion houses in the country, to attend their services, and keep hospitality, according to the ancient and laudable custom of England, on pain of being disabled from serving, the King, and punished for contempt. Printed. [*Proc. Coll. No.* 108.]

Nov. 20. Westminster. Grant to Fras. Battersey, alias Bathurst, of Islington, and sixty-six others, convicted at Newgate, whose names and offences are detailed, and to Alice Whitwood, prisoner at Bristol, all reprieved on sundry considerations, of pardon, their names having been presented by the late and present Recorder of London, because of the danger of infection to such a multitude of persons, all in want, and yet they were reluctant to order them, having been long spared, to execution; with proviso of their being employed on certain works, or sent abroad. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 48.]

[Nov. 20.] 21. Petition to the Council of certain poor subjects, who have occasion to pass the seas, that a new Commission for despatch of passage may be issued; many of the former Commissioners being dead, and only three resident at the Custom House, whereas the signatures of four are required for a pass, and much distress and charge is caused thereby.

Nov. 21. Westminster. Grant to Sir John Bingley of pardon of his Star Chamber sentence, of a fine of 2,000*l.* and imprisonment, and discharge of all accounts for moneys received by him between 40 Eliz. and Nov. 10, 1622. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 49.]

Nov. 21. Grant to John Case of licence to sue "in formâ pauperis." [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

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Nov. 21. Ludlow Castle. 22. Lord President of Wales and Sir Jas. Whitelock to the Council. Have ascertained that the general desire of the country is for re-establishment of the market of Welsh cloths at Oswestry, and have given orders accordingly; but the Shrewsbury drapers continue to buy cloth in their own town, and are appealing to Council.

Nov. 21 ? 23. Petition of the clothiers of North Wales and Oswestry to Sir Geo. Calvert, complaining that in spite of the Order of Council, confirmed by the President and Chief Justice of the Marches of Wales, for re-settling the market at Oswestry, the drapers of Shrewsbury still try to draw all the trade thither, and declare they will buy there, in spite of orders to the contrary. Request exemplary punishment of the chief offenders.

Nov. 22. Court of Wards and Liveries. 24. Order by the Court of Wards and Liveries for Lord Zouch, Sir Edw. Conway, and others, appointed Arbitrators between Frances Lady Willoughby of Parham on the one part, and Robt. Lord Willoughby of Eresby, Sir Geo. Manners, and Sir Wm. Pelham, executors of the will of the late Lord Willoughby of Parham, on the other, to be permitted to examine witnesses on oath and in court, for the purpose of concluding the matter.

Nov. 23. 25. Bond of Romano Gutieres, of Lisbon, and Peter Ball and Jasper Monhem, of London, in 800*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch, for restitution to Gutieres of the ship Hunter, and its cargo, stayed at Dover on suspicion of piracy, on proof that it was given in exchange for a more valuable ship, when off the coast of Barbary.

Nov. 23. Commission to Sir Oliver Luke to see to the execution of laws for preservation of game. [*Grant Bk., p.* 362.]

Nov. 23. Commission to Wm. Earl of Salisbury and Sir Ant. Pell, to see to the execution of laws against all destroyers of game in Hertfordshire. [*Grant Bk., p.* 361.]

Nov. 24. Commission to Sir John Cutts to see that the laws be duly executed against those who destroy game in Cambridgeshire. [*Ibid., p.* 351.]

Nov. 24. 26. Locke to Carleton. The States' Commissioners play fast and loose in the treaty. The Muscovy Company complain that the Dutch owe them 22,000*l.*, for want of which they are in danger of dissolution, and entreat payment.

Nov. 24. London. 27. Sir John Ogle to the Same. Received his letter by Sir Chas. Rich. Thanks for favours. The States are said to have concluded a league offensive and defensive with the French King.

Nov. 24 ? 28. Earl of Warwick to [the Same]. Thanks for favours conferred on his brothers, when at the Hague.

Nov. 25. Newmarket. 29. Buckingham to Sir Edw. Conway. The King is pleased with his good offices between the States' Ambassadors and the merchants, and also with the Treasurer's conduct. His Majesty is anxious for matters to be well concluded before they are brought to him again;

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he wishes the affair of the forts to be left to the last, for he can never consent that our merchants trade merely by the courtesy of others.

Nov. 25. 30. Petition of John Hill, Yeoman of the Guard, to Sir John Suckling, Comptroller of the Household, for warrant to apprehend Chris. Keld, indicted for uttering words against the King, when the collection was made for the Palatinate. With reference thereon to the Solicitor General; also his report, dated Nov. 30, referring the cause to the York Assizes, at which Keld is bound over to appear.

Nov. 26. Warwick. 31. Sir Thos. Leigh, Bart., Sir Rich. Verney, and Sir Thos. Lucy, to the Council. Have examined the complaint preferred by Matt. Collins and other citizens of Coventry, against John Briggs and his partners in a coal delve at Bedworth, taking information voluntarily offered, not that of witnesses on oath. Briggs takes exceptions to the witnesses; have bound him to appear personally before their Lordships.

Nov. 26. Warwick. 32. The Same to the Same. Have examined, as directed, the witnesses of the citizens of Coventry, in proof of their petition of grievances against John Briggs, who offered to bring on his part proofs and witnesses, which they were not authorized to receive; he complains of injustice therein, and has reduced his statements to writing. *Inclose,*

32. I. *Examinations of Hum. Saunders, of Bedworth, and ten others, substantiating the charges against John Briggs and his partners, of endeavouring to buy off all who attempted to dig for coal in the neighbourhood, and turning the water into the pits of the petitioners* [*Matt. Collins and others, see Oct.* 31]. *Nov.* 26.

32. II. *Answers of John Briggs and Thos. Robinson to the complaints preferred against them, denying or explaining the accusations, and accusing Collins and his party of poisoning their water, whereby many of their horses died.*

Nov. 26? 33. Petition of Wm. Norwood to the Council, to be excused returning to the country, according to proclamation, being brought to London in a cause relative to a concealed ward, his advanced years and ill health disabling him from travelling in winter, and he being obliged to return by the next term. *Incloses,*

33. I. *Certificate by Drs. Atkins and Gifford, that Mr. Norwood cannot travel home and back without peril to his life.*

Nov. 26. 34. Order by the Court of Wards that Wm. Norwood have time, till January 28 ensuing, to answer the information against him.

Nov. 26. Barbican. 35. Lord Zouch to [the Mayors, &c. of the Cinque Ports]. Renews the former regulations lately neglected, ordering all shipmasters, innkeepers, victuallers, &c., in the Cinque Ports, to enter into bonds

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to certify to the Commissioners of Passage such persons as arrive in or set sail from any of the ports, according to the regulations subjoined.

Nov. 27. York. 36. Mayor and Aldermen of York to the Council. The application of the bakers of York to be allowed the same privileges as the bakers of London, would prove very injurious to the poor. They have already obtained the suppression of the country bakers, who used to sell more cheaply than themselves, and now they wish for an allowance beyond the assize of bread, which is refused. They are remiss in not continuing to bake the "mayn bread," an ancient mystery used in that city, and in no other, although its continuance was ordered by the King, when there, so that the art of making it, being now confined to a few, is likely to perish.

Nov. 27. Bury. 37. Justices of Suffolk to the Same. The regulations for moderating the quantity of barley consumed in beer will not avail, unless innkeepers and alehouse keepers be restricted to the price of 2*d.* per gallon, as the common brewers are, otherwise they will continue to sell at 6*d.*, and will engross the trade from the brewers.

Nov. 28. Grant to Nich. Hayles of the deanery of Cleobury-Mortimer, in Shropshire. [*Grant Bk., p.* 354.]

Nov. 30. 38. Certificate to the Attorney General, by John More and Wm. Terry, that on perusal of the account books of Abraham Rutter and Rich. Harbert, of Exeter, from August 27, 1619, to May 1622, they find nothing therein to criminate Rutter as having exported gold and silver out of the realm. *Annexing,*

38. 1. *Order in Council, that John More and Mr. Terry, of Lombard Street, Goldsmith, examine the above books, take information thereon, and certify the result to the Attorney General. Whitehall, Oct.* 23.

Nov. 30. 39. Locke to Carleton. The States have agreed for three disinterested merchants on each side to be chosen to settle the difference about the pepper brought into Holland. Has received 500*l.*, Carleton's intelligence money for 1621; will pay certain accounts, and give the rest to Burlamachi, who is now allowed to return home. Sir John Bennet is fined 20,000*l.*, imprisoned during pleasure, and disabled from ever holding office; his fault was aggravated by the weak defence of his counsel, but his abilities were praised. The Archbp. of Canterbury apologized for having such an officer as Judge of the Prerogative Court; said he had thought him faithful, but would henceforth have records kept of all moneys left for pious uses. Most of his corruptions were in granting administrations for intestate persons. Sir Albert Morton is to be Provost of King's College.

Nov. 30. 40—47. Receipts, by Wm. Boswell, from Sir John Lambe and others, of divers moneys paid in for the King's Benevolence and Lord Bishop's Benevolence, by the clergy of the archdeaconry of Leicester, from June 5. Eight papers.

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Nov. ? 48—55. Notes and memoranda relating to the above accounts. Eight papers.

Nov. ? 56. Alphabetical lists of the parishes in the archdeaconry of Leicester, with names and subscriptions of the incumbents who have paid the above benevolences, and names of those who are behind hand. Sum total to the King, 236*l.* 4*s.* 3*d.*; to the Bishop, 64*l.* 5*s.* 7*d.*

Nov. ? 57. Copy of the above, with slight differences.

Nov. ? 58. Similar account, with variations.

Dec. 1. St. Paul's, London. 59. Dr. John Donne to Sir Thos. Roe. Lord Carlisle's good opinion of Roe; the thorns of calumny are not those which wound, but the inward thorns of conscious sin. The Prince's intended match causes too much precipitation in favouring Catholics. Particulars of the sermons which Roe has preached before the King and the Virginia company. Death of Lady Jacob and of Sir Wm. Killigrew, against whom the Bp. of Exeter had commenced a suit, for fraud in the execution of his Commission, about the value of land taken from bishoprics.

Dec. 2. 60. Commissioners for the Expedition against Pirates to the Council. Are sorry to be accused of neglect; have offered to pay Capt. Pett all that is due to him, on his bringing in his accounts. Hope not to be compelled to pay Capt. Squibb, his vessel being only employed on the King's service, and no part of the profits of the oils brought back in her being given to the merchants; the charges incurred have almost doubled the assigned sum of 40,000*l.*, and are very injurious to trade.

Dec. 2. Presentation of Wm. Hutchinson to the vicarage of Charlbury. [*Grant Bk., p.* 354.]

Dec. 2. Special dispensation to Rich. Basset, to hold another living. [*Ibid., p.* 349.]

Dec. 4. Barbican. 61. [Edw. Lord Zouch and other mediators in the cause between Lady Willoughby and the executors of the late Lord] to Fras. Wilkinson. Require him to ascertain from the bailiffs and collectors of the late Lord's rents what sums they have received since his death, and to whom the same have been paid.

Dec. 4 ? 62. Statement, by the executors of Wm. Lord Willoughby, of the unjust demands made upon them by his widow, Lady Willoughby, who, from his decease, Aug. 29, 1617, up to Michaelmas last, 1622, has received more than her proportion from his estate, and still makes further claims upon them; they propose to have the accounts audited by two persons, one appointed by each party.

Dec. 4. 63. Bond of John Briggs, of Bedworth, co. Warwick, in 100*l.*, for his appearance before the Council on Dec. 16.

Dec. 4. 64. Petition of Réné Girault, Frenchman, to Lord Treasurer Middlesex, for a warrant to land 120 tuns of French wines, notwithstanding their being brought over in a Flemish ship, on his certificate

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that when the wines were put on board, there was no English nor Scotch vessel at Nantes in which they could be carried over. With reference thereon to the officer of customs, and his report, dated Dec. 10.

Dec. 5. Barbican. 65. Lord [Zouch] to Rich. Marsh. Has received a petition of Geo. Freeman, complaining against Marsh for delay and evasion in executing judgment against Nich. Jones. Requests him to remove all cause for such troublesome complaints about trifles.

Dec. 7. London. 66. Chamberlain to Carleton. Sentence on Sir John Bennet in the Star Chamber; he is committed to the Fleet Prison; the Lord Treasurer tried in vain to mitigate the fine. The States' Commissioners did not go to Newmarket when expected, though the East India and Muscovy merchants were there to meet them; they went later, but on their journey were robbed of a bag containing their papers and 200*l.* in money. The proclamation for repairing to the country to use hospitality has compelled many that had come to town to nestle with their families to pack off again, as they dare not incur the penalty. The winter is so severe that 270 or 280 die weekly in London. Lord Abergavenny, Sir Wm. Killigrew, Sir Geo. Curson, and Sir Fras. Egiock carried off by the cold. There is a new fire between Lady Exeter and Lady Lake, but much pains is taken to suppress it. Lady Hatton has sold her house in Holborn to the Duke of Lenox for 2,000*l.*, and 1,500*l.* a year for life. The King is at Newmarket, much troubled with the gout in his arms and legs. Dr. Collins will not give up his place [in King's College], so Sir Albert Morton must be otherwise provided for.

Dec. 7? 67. Petition of Thos. Brocas to the King, for leave to stay in London, with a small part of his family, for recovery of his health. *Annexed is,*

67. I. *Medical certificate by Dr. Wm. Goddard, of Brocas' ill state of health.*

Dec. 7? 68. Petition of Sir Sam. Sandys to the Council, for licence to remain in London a few weeks with his wife, who is come up for medical advice.

Dec. 8. Baldovie, Angus. 69. Certificate of the relatives of And. Melvin, Professor of Divinity, deceased at Sedan, that his brother, David Melvin, of Baldovie in Angus, is his rightful heir, and authorized to receive his books, MSS., clothes, money, &c., and that they fear the delay in his arrival may have arisen from the insecurity of the roads, on account of the wars.

Dec. 9. Arundel House. 70. Thos. Earl of Arundel to Sir Thos. Roe. Thanks for his pains in purchase of antiquities; has received the medal of Alexander; begs favour for John Markham, who goes to purchase antiquities for him.

Dec. 9. King's Bench. 71. Capt. Thos. Parry to [the Clerk of the Council]. Requests him to move the Lord Keeper for an Habeas Corpus that he may attend the Council, to prove that Sir Fras. Mansell still detains in

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his hands part of the money which should be paid for building the free school at Carmarthen. Details Mansell's unjust proceedings in levying that money.

[Dec. 9.] 72. Petition of Thos. Parry, prisoner in the King's Bench, to the Council, for an Habeas Corpus to appear before them, being prevented appearing as summoned, by contrivance of Sir Fras. Mansell, Bart., who has had him arrested for a debt of 50*l.*, though a pearl chain of far more than the value is in pledge for the debt.

Dec. 9. Savoy. 73. Earl of Northampton, Lord President of Wales, to the Same. Has received from Sir Fras. Mansell a particular account of the money appropriated for the free school at Carmarthen, and finds that he has paid in all that he received, with interest during the time it was in his hands. *Annexes,*

73. I. *Account, by Sir Fras. Mansell, of the money levied in Carmarthenshire towards furnishing* 100 *soldiers for Ireland, and of his disbursement thereof, partly in expenses for the soldiers, and the remainder in payments for the free school at Carmarthen. With note from him, that Parry was present when he paid over the balance of* 200*l.* *to the Corporation, and wanted one of the keys of the chest where the money was deposited.*

73. II. *Detailed statement by Sir Fras. Mansell of his whole transactions in reference to the moneys appropriated for erecting a free school at Carmarthen. Dec.* [9 ?].

Dec. 10. Evesham. 74. Rich. Cresheld [?] to Sir Edw. Conway. Death of Sir Fras. Egiock and the Mayor of Evesham. Was wished to succeed to the mayoralty by most of the town, but others countenance Mr. Woodward, a stranger, recommended by Sir Thos. Coventry. Begs that they may have a free election.

Dec. 11. Grant to Louis ap Jone ap Hugh of pardon for unlawful marriage with Joan Davies. [*Grant Bk., p.* 349.]

Dec. 12. Grant to Peter Carew of the house and site of the late Hospital of St. John's, Exeter. [*Ibid., p.* 358.]

Dec. 13. Commission to Lionel Lord Middlesex to inquire into the damages done to the Spaniards on the sea, by the London East India Company. [*Ibid., p.* 352.]

Dec. 15. 75. Locke to Carleton. Money affairs. Burlamachi is ordered to stay abroad a little longer, to furnish more moneys. The Secretary is willing to allow Carleton the 100*l.* extra expended for letters, but cannot do it, being restricted to 400*l.* a year for intelligence money. The Bp. of Norwich promises to proceed no further against Mr. Scot, unless commanded by the higher powers.

Dec. 18. Chester. 76. Mayor and Aldermen of Chester to the Council. Have stayed execution of Chas. Browne, convicted of burglary and breach of

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prison, and a dangerous character, on his offer to reveal other offenders. Ask directions. *Inclose,*

76. 1. *Information given by Chas. Browne against Robt. Davies and Hugh Clare, of or near Hereford, for coining; against Wm. Bayliffe and Mr. Holtham, who were his assistants in his robbery on the house of Sir Thos. Smith, Mayor of Chester; and against Cornelius Vanderhoven, a Brabant merchant, resident in Tower Street, London, who exported* 8,000*l. of English gold, and imported large quantities of cloth of gold, tissues, &c. without paying duty. Chester, Dec.* 16.

Dec. 18. Whitehall. 77. Order in Council, peremptorily enforcing their former order that the Muscovy Company pay in the third part of the tax ordered to be levied before Jan. 20, towards payment of debts to Mary Brocas and Anne Place, and commanding all defaulters who refuse to be committed.

Dec. 19. Commission to Lionel Lord Middlesex about the business of the King's hospital. [*Grant Bk., p.* 352.]

Dec. 19, Sandwich. 78. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to Lord Zouch. A boat belonging to a Flemish ship in the haven boarded a Dutch bark, and took some beer from it. Have arrested two men belonging to the ship who are in the town, but the Captain says he has punished the delinquents, and will pay for the beer, and requests their release. Ask directions.

Dec. 20. Whitehall. 79. Order in Council to request the King to renew for six months the protection from his creditors granted to Thos. Alport for a year, now expired, His Majesty being still unable to pay him the 6,000*l.* due for wares furnished for the great wardrobe. The protection to cease if he receive one third of the moneys owed him by the King.

Dec. 20. Two commissions, of Dec. 19 and 20, to the Earl of Middlesex and Sir Ralph Freeman, as to the business of the King's house. [*Grant Bk., p.* 362.]

Dec. 20. Commission to Chas. Prince of Wales, John Bp. of Lincoln Lord Keeper, the Duke of Lenox, and Marquis of Buckingham, to hear the propositions of John Keymer, and consider whether they will tend to the good of the King and commonwealth, as is pretended. [*Ibid., p.* 352.]

Dec. 21. London. 80. Chamberlain to Carleton. Many persons of quality have desired to be excused from going into the country this Christmas, but are refused. Lord Burleigh has found favour, on account of his father's age, or that his daughter Diana may not be absent from the masque. Notwithstanding the great scarcity of money, Lord Carlisle has a pension of 2,000*l.* a year. The Irish Commissioners have all returned; they were cast away on the Isle of Man, and a report arose that they were lost. Some of the

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Council are appointed to reform the Household. The Spanish and French Ambassadors complain of want of justice in the Admiralty, and special Commissioners are appointed to examine into our East Indian and Ormus depredations. Count Gondomar is to return here, none knowing "so well the length of our foot." Mr. Cottington is much with the King, as knowing the bias of the Spanish Court. Little Owen, the epigram maker, died, and was buried at St. Paul's.

Dec. 21. Whitehall. 81. Order of Chas. Lord Stanhope for posthorses and a guide for Sir Thos. Wentworth, repairing to York and back, on the King's special affairs.

Dec. 21. Whitehall. 82. Order in Council,—on complaint of the town of Shrewsbury of the great injury they have sustained by the order of June 26, restricting the market of Welsh cloths and cottons to Oswestry,—that the trade be allowed to be free, notwithstanding that order, unless Thos. Kynaston will put in bonds to fulfil his offer to buy up such cloths as shall be brought to Oswestry market, &c.

Dec. 21. 83. Copy of the above.

Dec. 21. Westminster. 84. Lord Keeper Lincoln to the Justices of Middlesex. To order the parish officers of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields and St. Clement's-in-the-Savoy, to make a return of all lodgers remaining in those parishes, contrary to the late proclamation.

Dec. 22. 85—91. Returns by the Constables of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, St. Clement's, and St. Mary-le-Strand, of the names of those noblemen, knights, and gentlemen who still remain in their parishes, contrary to proclamation. Dec. 21, 22. Seven papers.

Dec. 22. Whitehall. Proclamation extending the former proclamation for return to the country of all persons of quality residing in London and Westminster, to those resident in other towns or cities, and continuing it in future for all seasons of the year, excepting only to those who have to come up at law terms, but who are to leave their wives and families in the country; also ordering all justices of the peace, &c. to enforce strict attention to His Majesty's late orders for supply of corn at reasonable prices to the poor. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 109.]

Dec. 22? 92. Additions suggested to orders taken for relief of the poor in this time of dearth, relative to the sale of corn. The farmers to supply the markets sufficiently, and to sell one fourth at under rates to the poor, &c.

Dec. 26. Whitehall. 93. The Council to the Commissioners of Sewers for Essex. On complaint of the labourers employed by Cornelius Vermuyden in recovering the surrounded grounds in Essex called Havering and Dagenham Marshes, that their wages are withheld, Vermuyden promises to pay them, but requests that as most of his work is done, and he has expended 3,600*l.* thereon, he may receive the money due to him from the county for his charges. Recommend some course for the speedy payment thereof.

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Dec. [27]. Whitehall. 94. [The Council to the Justices of Suffolk.] The five creditors, out of forty-nine, of Sam. Salmon, of Creeting, Suffolk, who still obstinately refuse his offer to pay his whole debts, except interest and costs, in three years, are to be once more urged to accept the offer, for the sake of the public interest in the continuance of his trade, which employs many poor; should they still refuse, they are to be bound to appear before Council.

Dec. [27]. Whitehall. 95. The Same to the Lord Mayor of London. To enforce the execution of former orders issued in times of apprehended scarcity, that the City companies provide stipulated proportions of corn, to be sold at under rates for the benefit of the poor. Care is to be taken to bring in sufficient corn, and the state of the stores in the City and in the granaries of the several companies to be certified.

Dec. 28. Holborn. 96. Lord Chichester to Sir Geo. Calvert. Acknowledges His Majesty's gracious favour, and the mark of his good opinion now set on him.

Dec. 28. 97. List of gifts presented by a person not named to the King, Lord Treasurer, Lord Marquis [Buckingham], Sec. Calvert, and their servants; also to sundry other officers of State and of the Exchequer, &c., at Christmas. Total 2,712*l.* 5*s.*

Dec. 30. Sandwich. 98. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to the Council. Have been unable, on account of the storms, to convey their letter to the captain of the ship, but meanwhile detain the two persons committed till further directions. [*See Dec.* 19.]

Dec. 30. 99. Locke to [Carleton]. Sends the proceedings of the Dutch for regulation of trade. They were just coming to a conclusion, but have flown off again, and now more time will be needed. The poor suffer much from the decay of trade and scarcity of money, and there have been disturbances, but they are quieted by promise of employment. A commission is to be appointed, at request of the Spanish Ambassador, to inquire into all wrongs committed by the English against the Spaniards since 1620.

Dec. 31. Grant to Sir Geo. Calvert and his heirs of the whole country of Newfoundland. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

[Dec.] 100. Petition of Geo. Dorington to the Council, for renewal of the King's Writ of Protection for one year longer.

[Dec.] 101. List of Orders in Council, as follows:—

Discharge of Sir Fras. Mansell from prosecution by [Thos.] Parry, for moneys levied for soldiers.

Order for raising moneys for payment of the petitioners, creditors of the Muscovy Company. [*See Dec.* 18.]

Letter for [Thos.] Jackson, with his petition and certificate.

Letter to Sir John Dean, and other Justices of Essex, to quiet the people, and that the Council are doing their utmost to promote manufactures.

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Letters to corporate towns about the consumption of barley in brewing strong beer.
Pass for Sir Fras. Nethersole.
Protection for Sir Hen. Goodere and his sureties.
Letter to the Deputy of Ireland, to transport or disband the soldiers levied for the King of Spain.
Letter of reference to the Lord Chief Baron and Justice Hatton for Sandys.
Letter of reference for a countryman.

Dec.? 102. List of the crew of the Garland which began rigging wages Jan. 18, 1621, and sea wages Jan. 29, of those transferred to her from the Happy Entrance, and of those pressed since she came to sea. Indorsed with note, that she was mustered in the Downs, June 21.

[Dec.] 103. List of the crew of the ship George, appointed to carry provisions from Deptford to Chatham, and timber from Ireland and Rye to Deptford or Chatham; with the days of their discharge or death.

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1. Grant to Thos. Hall of the office of sole Keeper of the Game in Barnet, Hadley, South Mimms and Totteridge, cos. Hertford and Middlesex.

Grant to John Oxenton of the first Yeoman Warder's place in the Tower of London that shall become void, after the placing of those already recommended. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 50.]

Warrant to pay to Audrey Lady Walsingham 1,000*l.*, as a gift from the King. [*Ibid., No.* 51.]

Grant to Robt. Thompson of a Gunner's place in the Tower. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 52.]

2. Request of the King that the Chief Justices shall take cognizance of a cause between His Majesty and the Earl of Arundel, concerning the presentation to Wells, Norfolk.

3. The King to Sir Thos. Coventry, Attorney General. To draw a grant to John Woodford of composition for the defective titles of his lands held of the Duchy of Lancaster. Fragment.

4. The King to Sir Thos. Coventry, Attorney General. To draw a bill empowering Thos. Earl of Arundel and Surrey, Earl Marshal of England, to settle the fees of the officers of the Court of Chivalry.

5. The Same to the Earl Marshal Arundel. Refers to him the decision in the case of Sir Thos. Harris and Mr. Leeke, who petitions against Harris's being created a Baronet.

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6. The King to the Lord Mayor, &c. of London. Requests them to add to their number of ten searchers of false measures in sea-coal; two others to be nominated by Robt. Rigden.

7. The Same to the Same. Regrets their neglect of his wishes for Robt. Rigden to have the nomination of two coal searchers, in addition to the ten now employed. Thinks his request should have been complied with, as since the beginning of his reign he has granted to the City the nomination to the office of measuring coals, formerly claimed by the Lord High Admiral. [*See Sept.* 21, 1623.]

8. Order of the Secretary of State for John Lovell not to be molested for matters of religion, on account of his infirmities.

9. Marchioness of Buckingham to Mrs. Porter. Is glad that she purposes to hasten her visit to her. Desires affectionate remembrance to her husband.

10. Will. Lord Burghley and others, Commissioners for Musters in Nottinghamshire, to the Council. For permission to retain Capt. Fras. Markham as Muster-master, although Gervase Wild is recommended for the office by the King.

11. Sir Edw. Conway to Buckingham. Professions of devotedness to his service.

12. Olive Porter to her husband, Endymion Porter. Reproaches him for not writing; their boys are well.

13. Endymion Porter to Olive Porter. Fears her love does not equal his. Hopes nothing will make her repent her choice, but she must know that he must govern her, not she him. Blessings on their babes.

14. Sir Thos. Wilson to the Same. Solicits the office of Master of Requests now void, promised to him six years before by the Marquis of Buckingham. Recapitulates his past services, his embassy in Spain 1603–4, and his seventeen years' attendance in his present place.

15. The Same to the Same. Requests the honour of knighthood for Ambrose Randolph, son of Sir Thos. Randolph, formerly Ambassador in Scotland, and joint keeper with himself of state papers, who has married his only child.

16. Memorial presented to the Pope and Cardinals, on behalf of the English Catholics, on the mitigations for Catholics which should be proposed on the approaching marriage of the Prince with the Infanta of Spain. Their grievances are, first, the laws against them, which are more stringent in England than in Ireland or Scotland; second, the Royal Prerogative, which assumes the power of molesting Catholics, even beyond the law, especially in Ireland; third, the excommunications pronounced against Catholics, which, though indifferent in themselves, yet, if neglected, are followed by fines and

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punishments. It would be useless to attempt a repeal of the statutes, Parliament being so opposed to Catholics, nor could liberty of conscience be safely requested for England or Scotland, although it might be asked for Ireland, the sovereignty of which was confirmed to Henry II. by Pope Adrian, on condition of his upholding the church; but the King might be urged, by virtue of his own authority, and according to the precedent of Queen Mary, to suspend the execution of the laws against Catholics, and licence them to exercise their religious rites. Latin.

17. Copy of the above.

18. Petition of Thos. Lord Arundel of Wardour to the King, that the Earl of Arundel, Visct. Mandeville, and Sec. Calvert, may be appointed to decide the cause between himself and his son, Thos. Arundel, who has twice sued him in Chancery, and has obtained a warrant against his purchasing the remainders of lands vested in the Crown, by which he is brought to great poverty.

19. Petition of Jas. de Best, of London, to the Council, for warrant to land thirteen bags of cotton wool brought back from Amsterdam, where he failed to sell it; the Turkey merchants refused to allow it to be brought in.

20. Petition of Wm. Carmichael to the King. Having been seven years a suitor for redress of grievances committed against him by the Dutch East India Company, prays that the King would threaten, in case of longer delay, to grant him letters of reprisal against their ships, &c. in Scotland.

21. Petition of John Carse, Page of the Bedchamber, to the Same, for permission to sell his old timber house in Chesworth, co. Sussex, for fuel, there being no wood within thirty miles to repair it.

22. Petition of Michael Cole to Sir Geo. Calvert. Prays that the grant to himself of a recognizance entered into by John Lennard for good behaviour towards his wife's children, but forfeited by riots against them, may pass the Great Seal.

23. Petition of Nath. Edwards to the Council. States that he and Jas. Garway, having received a patent for casting iron ordnance in Scotland, hired workmen for the purpose, who were stopped on their journey, and he and they ordered to appear before the Council. Begs a speedy hearing and discharge.

24. Petition of Mary, widow of Robt. Essex, to the King, that the Lord Privy Seal and others may give a final hearing to the cause between herself and Sir Edw. Greville, who contests certain lands left to her husband by his father, Sir Edw. Essex, which should fall into her hands as administratrix to her eight children.

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25. Petition of Fras. Ingolsby, Keeper of the Armoury at Greenwich, to Lord Treasurer Middlesex, for arrears of his pay of 20*d.* per diem, of which he has received nothing for six years.

26. Petition of the Clothiers of Kent to the Council. Show, that notwithstanding the proclamation against the export of wool and fullers' earth, they are still sent out of the kingdom, under colour of being conveyed from port to port; pray for remedy thereof.

27. Petition of Thos. Kirby, Prisoner in the Gatehouse, to the King, to refer his case to Sir Wm. Walter and others, to mediate some agreement between him and his cruel creditor.

28. Petition of Nich. Knott, late Marshal of Dover Castle, to Lord Zouch, for pardon for the misbehaviour which lost him his place, and for an order to the present Marshal to make him some allowance for money spent in repairs of the Marshal's lodging; is in great distress, having a young family, and although admitted to the King's guard, can receive no pension till he has paid 200*l.* to Lord Kensington, Captain of the Guard.

29. Petition of the Inhabitants of Leighton, co. Bedford, to the Bp. of Lincoln, Lord Keeper, for his consent to the establishment of a weekly Tuesday lecture, twelve beneficed preachers living near having agreed to preach. [Signed by many of the inhabitants.]

30. Petition of Geo. Markham to the Council, for pardon for two of his sons, William and George, who attempted to pass the seas to their uncle, Sir Griffin Markham, without licence.

31. Petition of Nich. Russe, a poor Russian merchant, to Sec. Calvert, for a pass to go to his own country, having had the King's licence to collect alms for a year, for liberation of his father and four brothers, sold by Turkish pirates.

32. Petition of Wm. Singleton, Customer at the ports of Chester and Liverpool, to the Council. Being resident at Chester, begs that his deputy at Liverpool may not be censured for his inability lawfully to administer the required oaths to those who wish to pass the sea.

33. Petition of Arian Yonge Johnston, and sixty-two other workmen at Dagenham Creek, Essex, to the Same. Were employed by John Foster in draining the inundated land there, but the works giving way, owing to the decay of Mr. Vermuyden's portion thereof, Foster desisted from the work, and Justice Wright, one of the Commissioners, refuses to pay them their wages, according to his promise. Pray for a summons against Justice Wright, being reduced to great distress, and far from home.

34. Account by John Smythe, Commissary, of the contribution by the Clergy of the Archdeaconry of Bedford, for the King's benevolence. Total, 164*l.* 8*s.* 11*d.*

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35. List of towns in Newport and Buckingham deaneries, with notes of which are vicarages, rectories, or curacies.

36. Account of the contribution of the clergy to the King's benevolence, in the Archdeaconry of Huntingdon, diocese of Lincoln. Total, 129*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*

37. Note of such of the clergy of Lincolnshire as have not paid contribution to the King or Bishop's benevolence, with the valuations of their livings.

38. Note of all the contribution money paid by the clergy of the Diocese of Lincoln in aid of the recovery of the Palatinate, received by Mr. Boswell, Commissary of the Bishop, and by him paid into the Exchequer. Total, 1,326*l.* 12*s.* 2*d.*

39. Names of persons of quality resident in London, who refuse to perform the labour or to contribute the money imposed on them by the statute for the repair of the highways.

40. Receipt of moneys from Mr. Greenaugh, rector of Glowston, for the marriage licence between Thos. Burdett, of Husband's Bosworth, Lincoln, and Margaret Bennett, and also for the King and Bishop's benevolence. Latin.

41. Note of fines imposed on Sheriffs in the office of Pleas, for the years 14, 15, 16, and 19 Jac. I., with their names, and the dates of the fines.

42. Leaf of a book containing the form of a patent from Earl Marshal Arundel, of the office of Prothonotary of Rising, three letters to the Mayor of Rising, and two others to mayors unnamed, recommending certain persons for election as Members of Parliament.

43. Book of Regulations to be observed in the Earl Marshal's Court.

44. Statement by Lady Mary Leek of the claim she has on her husband for increase of her jointure, instead of which, his son, Sir Fras. Leek, tries to get away the land that is settled on herself and her son, which is also much encumbered with debt.

45. Detail of the present condition of Hawton, near Newark, which is entailed by Sir Fras. Leek on William, his son by Lady Mary Leek, in reference to certain charges laid upon the land.

46. Letter-book of Edw. Nicholas, containing drafts of numerous letters to his mistress [Jane Jaye], many to his father, mother, brother, and cousin [Hunton], chiefly on his love affairs; with a few to other correspondents.

47. Copies by [Nicholas] of letters addressed to him by his mistress, Jane Jaye, in which she addresses him as her father, and subscribes herself, "Your loving daughter."

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48. Note that the King has power to grant reversions of places in the customs during the vacancy of the Treasurership, but that the Lord Treasurer can grant no reversions without consent of the King, and therefore the grant of a certain reversion is wholly in his Majesty.

49. Memorial of Martin Bigger, a German, to [the Clerk of the Council?], praying for a patent for the sole making of white sugar-candy and double refined sugar, which art was brought into England twenty-four years before by Gaspar Terlin, a German.

50. Medical certificate by Dr. John Gifford, that Sir Geo. Philpott is unable to move, on account of his gout.

51. Questions suggested by the Marshal of ——— to be put to the Keepers of Newgate and the New Prison, relative to their connivance with recusants, and allowing them to escape or to enjoy great liberty; also on their ill treatment of the said Marshal.

52. Principles laid down for the Committee for management of trade, viz, the importance of encouraging the home manufacture of wool by permitting free trade, and lowering the customs; the necessity of increasing the money within the realm by giving a fair price for its import, and preventing its export by compelling merchant strangers to export goods to the full value of their imports, and by establishing an exchange.

53. Abstract of and observations on thirty articles recommended by the Committee of Trade for its advancement, relating to the manufacture and sale of wool and woollen goods, increase of coin, improvement of the navy, restrictions on the East India Company, and regulation for wearing cloth at home.

54. Account, by Mr. Johnston, of the weights and value in English currency of Dutch coins, as settled by the Ordinance of the States of Holland. Mutilated.

55. Treatise by Edw. Bennett on the inconveniences of importing tobacco from Spain; showing that it is the chief cause of the scarcity of corn and bullion in England, 60,000*l.* being spent yearly in its purchase, and English goods fallen 20 per cent. in the Spanish markets. Suggests the prohibition of Spanish tobacco, and the import of it only from Virginia and the Summer Islands, which would greatly tend to improve our colonies there. Printed.

56—58. Treatise by the Same, similar to the preceding, and partially a copy; also containing a vindication of the East India Company from the charge of causing the diminution of gold and silver by importing more goods than they export. Three copies.

59. Draft of part the above. Imperfect.

60. Request by the Eastland Merchants for certain alterations in and additions to the King's late proclamation concerning their trade viz., the forbidding the import of Eastland goods from Hamburgh

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1622? and the Low Countries, as well as from their native country; also enforcing the non-import of them by those not free of the Company, which the Officers of Customs, for their own profit, neglect; and forbidding the Hollanders to import Eastland commodities in a manufactured state.

61. Collections [by Edw. Nicholas] out of Sir Edwin S[andys'] relation of religions used in the west parts of the world. Partly in cypher and partly in short hand.

62. Account of the sums collected [by way of King's Benevolence] in various counties of England and Wales.

63. Reasons why the overture or proposition [for some imposition] may not conveniently be adopted without a Parliament, on account of the resentment of the people against the benevolence and exactions otherwise imposed.

64. Statement of the case of Capt. Pennington, in reference to certain assart lands in the Forest of Dean, as to whether the rent thereof is due to the Crown or to Mr. Kingston.

65. Statement by Sir Nich. Poyntz of the intolerable oppressions and grievances committed against himself and other inhabitants of Gloucestershire by Geo. Huntley, Justice of the Peace there, with the aid of Sir Thos. Escott; also of their defrauding the King in the rating of the subsidies, &c.

66. Description of the Officers and offices of the Court of King's Bench, and of the mode of proceeding in trials there, &c.

67. Description of several funeral monuments in the Church of Stanwell, especially that of Thos. Lord Knyvet, of Buckenham, Norfolk, and Elizabeth, his Lady, who both died in 1622. With note, that they bequeathed 20*l.* per ann. for a school for boys at Stanwell, and 2*l.* for the poor.

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Quarterly Accounts of the ordinary and extraordinary payments in His Majesty's Dockyard at Chatham, for the year 1622.

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Jan. 1. Grant to Jas. Chambers, &c. of the receivership of all fines upon penal statutes. [*Grant Bk., p.* 358.]

Jan. 1. Grant to Hen. Garway of all subsidies of poundage and customs on corn, beer, stuffs, velvets, &c. [*Ibid., p.* 354.]

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Jan. 2. Fort by Plymouth. 1. Sir Robt. Gorges to the Council. Being ordered by their Lordships to make an humble submission for abusing their authority, begs leave to explain his conduct. Was induced by M. de Soubise to treat with Sir Thos. Wise not to countenance the sailors against him; did so to secure the ship for a distressed and noble person. Acknowledges his fault therein. Afterwards, being solicited by the French agent to fulfil the order of Council, and sequester the ship, set aside private feeling, and tried to obtain its execution, but was forcibly opposed. Thanks that for his father's sake his punishment is light.

Jan. 2. 2. Wm. Lenthall to his Father-in-law. Private affairs. The Lord Chief Baron and his Lady went, according to proclamation, to keep Christmas in the country.

Jan. 3. Sandwich. 3. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to the Council. The Captain declares that he cannot give up the men guilty of the misdemeanour against the bark bound for Ostend, because they have run away for fear of punishment, and entreats liberation of his two innocent men who are kept in prison. [*See Dec.*, 1622.]

Jan. 4. 4. Locke to Carleton. The States' Commissioners and ours have agreed on nearly all points. Mr. Porter brings news of the consummation of the match, and the Navy officers are ordered to prepare ten ships to fetch home the lady. Lord Chichester sworn of the Council.

Jan. 4. London. 5. Chamberlain to the Same. Orders are issued that no one shall come booted and spurred into the Presence or Privy Chamber, on holidays or festivals, nor into the chapel, where all are to remain uncovered during service. On Christmas Day, the Bp. of London's sermon, probably from its length, displeased the King, and he grew so loud that the Bishop was obliged to end abruptly. There is a talk of his resigning the almonership to Bp. Laud; he is at disadvantage by having to preach after the Bp. of Winchester, who, as Dean of the chapel, preaches the morning sermons with great applause. St. James's Church, in Duke's Place, near Aldgate, is consecrated. Report that the Archbp. of Spalato rails much against his Grace of Canterbury. Lady Naunton has a son. Old Lady Paget, Lord Knyvet's sister, dead, at a great age. The Countess of Arundel is at Turin, on her way home. Lord Belfast sworn of the Council. The Lord Treasurer still stands firm, though there have been many petitions against him. Many changes of office talked of, but none performed. Sir Robt. Naunton will not resign without good conditions. Rumours that Sir Fras. Cottington will be Secretary, and not Sir Edw. Conway. A scandalous book is said to have been printed in the house of the Spanish Ambassador, who has imprisoned his porter, an Englishman, for distributing it. End. Porter brings tidings that the match is concluded, and the Duke of Medina-Sidonia coming for the ratification; the Infanta is expected to arrive in May, a fleet is ordered, and Buckingham is going to conduct her. It is secretly rumoured that the Prince will go in person, and that Gondomar is to go to Germany to see the Pala-

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tinate restored. Sir Albert Morton has resigned the Clerkship of the Council to Sir Wm. Beecher, because he was impatient at being sent away when any Spanish business was discussed. The masque is to be on Monday, and the King leaves town on Thursday.

Jan. 6 ? 6. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] of the expense of the Navy for the year 1623. Total, 30,442*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*

Jan. 7. 7. Assignation by the Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer of 30,442*l.* 8*s.* 6*d.*, estimated expense of the Navy for the year 1623, to certain branches of the revenue. With note to Sir Robt. Pye to take care that the revenues thus assigned be not otherwise appropriated.

Jan. 8. Pembroke Hall. 8. Dr. Jerome Beale to Wm. Boswell. Has written to request the Bp. of Hereford to suffer no presentation to the rectory of Ditton to pass that may be prejudicial to the University, and will pass none himself, till Boswell has explained his right, unless there be danger of the prescribed six months elapsing.

Jan. 8. Special dispensation to Wal. Balconquall to be Master of the Hospital in the Savoy. [*Grant Bk., p.* 349.]

Jan. 8. Grant to John Brooke of the office of Receiver and Collector of fines on penal statutes, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 350.]

Jan. 8. Grant to Sir Allan Apsley and others to be officers of the Admiralty and Surveyors of Victuals for ships, &c., with a fee of 50*l.* per ann., during life. [*Ibid., p.* 349.]

Jan. 9. 9. Note of all the charges defrayed by the Company of Dyers in sealing cloths and baize and other stuffs at the houses of foreigners, since Aug. 16, 1622, according to an order then sent them by the King's Commissioners. Total 20*l.* 8*s.* 10*d.*

Jan. 9 ? 10. Note of the quantities of cloths, kerseys, Manchester cottons, &c., sealed for stranger dyers.

Jan. 9. 11. Indenture between the King and Sir Allan Apsley and Sir Sampson Darell, confirming to them the office of Victuallers of the Navy, on resignation of Sir Marmaduke Darell, and covenanting with them for provision of victuals and other necessaries, the quantities and qualities of which are detailed in eighteen articles, which follow.

Jan. 9. Chelmsford. 12. Justices of Essex to the Council. Have carefully repaired the highways, but the carriers, who forbore for a time to use the four-wheeled carts and many horses forbidden by the proclamation, are beginning to employ them again, so that the ways cannot be kept in repair.

Jan. 10. Chelmsford. 13. The Same to the Same. Find that the cause of the disturbances in the county is the discontent of the poor clothmakers, and baize and say makers, &c., for want of work, which, though quieted by hopes for the present, is in constant danger of breaking out. The masters plead disability to employ their men, unless they can sell their cloth; and many who were thought the wealthiest are likely to become bankrupt.

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Jan. 10. Holborn. Art. Lord Chichester to Carleton. The King has been detained at Whitehall with the gout, but is better. No other Secretary is chosen in place of Sir Robt. Naunton, who keeps the Seals. Buckingham stood sponsor to his son. Complaints in England and Ireland of scarcity of money. [*Holl. Corresp., Jan.* 10, 1623.]

Jan. 10. Grant to Sir Allan Apsley and Sir Sampson Darell of 9,600*l.* yearly, for victualling the Navy, to be paid by the Farmers of Customs. [*Grant Bk., pp.* 349, 363.]

Jan. 12. Westminster. Warrant for delivery of various necessaries for the King's use from the great wardrobe, and of apparel for gifts for divers persons. [*Docquet, Dec.* 15, 1623.]

Jan. 14. Whitehall. 14. Note that Sir Edw. Conway was sworn as one of the King's Principal Secretaries of State.

Jan. 14. Dandelion. 15. Valentine Pettit to Nicholas. Sends a letter to Lord Zouch, remonstrating against the carrying away of bache and boulder stones, which is disliked by many. Purport of the letter. The Commissioners of Sewers have imposed another scot on Margate, for the works against the sea. Dares not pay his share, lest Lord Falkland, if he recover the pier, should claim the payment again. Has just heard that Lord Falkland has forbidden any more stones to be carried away. *Incloses,*

15. I. *Valentine Pettit to Lord Zouch. The bache and boulder stones cast up on the shore are transported to Ostend, Dunkirk, and Flanders, as ballast for the Flemish ships of war, being more useful than anything else. Thinks we might as well furnish them with shot and powder as with these stones, some of which may be used as shot at some future time against ourselves or our posterity, &c. Dandelion in Thanet, Jan.* 14.

Jan. 15. 16. High Sheriff and Justices of Norfolk to the Council. Before the receipt of the proclamation and the King's order, had taken such steps to prevent dearth of grain and undue consumption in victualling houses, and to employ the poor, that the disorders resulting from desperation are likely to be prevented, if their Lordships will renew their former orders for restraint of wools combed and spun in other counties, so that the poor may be sustained. Beg to be excused a second survey of the quantities of grain in store, the former survey having raised the prices.

Jan. 15. Enfield. 17. Earl of Montgomery to Sir Robt. Heath, Solicitor General. Sends letters signed and sealed by my Lord Marquis, and entreats that the business may be set on foot.

Jan. 15. Stittenham. 18. Examination of Wm. Worfolk, of New Malton. Heard Robt. Freeman, of New Malton, say that neither law nor statute could cause him to forbear malting. *Prefixed is,*

18. I. *Information of Thos. Yeats, of Hindgrange, lordship of Byland, North Riding of Yorkshire, before Sir Thos.*

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Gower, Bart., Sir Wm. Bellasis, and Sir Rich. Vaughan, Justices, that Wm. Worfolk of New Malton heard Robt. Freeman declare he would make malt, however he might be forbidden, for there was no statute against it; whereon the said Justices sent for Freeman, who said he had a licence for malting, but refused to show it, and on leaving court, threatened Yeats for informing against him. Helmesley, Jan. 10.

Jan. 16. Westminster. Proclamation, that—for prevention of abuses in the manufacture of gunpowder and saltpetre, by which the King's ships and subjects are endangered,—all powder made or imported shall go to the King's powder maker, where the proof master shall stamp it with marks specified, according to its quality; any counterfeiting of such stamps to be punished in the Star Chamber. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 110.]

Jan. 18. Maidstone. 19. Certificate returned by the Mayor of Maidstone and other Justices of the Peace, according to the King's Proclamation and book of orders, giving the numbers of corn carriers, farmers, dealers in foreign grain, maltsters, bakers, brewers, millers, &c., belonging to the town, of the quantity of grain they have in store, its present prices, &c.

Jan. 20. 20. Sir Julius Cæsar to the Council. Reports on the petition of Robt. Smith, Messenger of the Chamber, that Wm. Bradshaw was some time in his charge for refusing to pay to Edw. Turner certain moneys on behalf of Sir Thos. Mildmay's family, that he was then removed to the Fleet, and the enforcement of the Council decrees against him transferred to Chancery, whereupon, thinking nothing further can be done against him, he refuses to pay to Smith 50*l.* due for his diet and lodging; but Mr. Turner has advanced the 50*l.* on condition of its being added to his former claims against Bradshaw, and paid before Bradshaw's enlargement. *Annexing,*

20. I. *Order in Chancery for Wm. and Edm. Bradshaw to answer a bill brought against them by Walter and Jane Mildmay. Oct.* 7, 1622.

20. II. *Order in Chancery for the Same to return answer within two days to the bill of the above-named plaintiffs, on penalty of sequestration of their lands. Nov.* 21, 1622.

Jan. 20. 21. Certificate of the officers and inhabitants of the precinct of St. Catherine's, near the Tower, to Sir Robt. Heath, of the good conduct and character of Barth. Van Crombrougghe, free denizen and tallow chandler, resident there for thirty years past.

Jan. 20. 22. Certificate of the Justices of Kent of the quantity of corn in the hundreds of Cornlo, Eastry, and Bewsborough, within the Lathe of St. Austin.

Jan. 21. Bedford House. 23. Visct. St. Albans to Sec. Conway. Congratulates him on his appointment. Was brought yesterday by the excellent Marquis to kiss the King's hand, and therefore thinks himself in a state of grace, and begs to be remembered, as occasion serves.

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Jan. 21. Westminster College. 24. Wm. Boswell to [Sir John Lambe]. The Bp. [of Lincoln] has been repeatedly pressed for an account of the contribution in his diocese, which is the only one behind hand. Requests him to send in that of the Archdeaconry of Leicester. The Council will be severe on all who are backward. Advises care therein, for prevention of trouble to those who have not paid.

Jan. 24. 25. Locke to Dud. Carleton, jun. Private affairs. Wishes some bacon and cheese sent over.

Jan. 24. Grant to Sir Wm. Beecher of the office of Clerk of the Privy Council, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

Jan. 25. Warrant for a grant to Thos. Middleton and John Williams, on payment of 1,600*l.*, of the manors of Laleham and Billetts, cos. Middlesex and Surrey, notwithstanding their annexation to the honour of Hampton; also warrant to pay the 1,600*l.* to the Lord Admiral, as satisfaction for 38*l.* per ann., in part of his grant of lands, &c., value 723*l.* 18*s.* 2½*d.* [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 25. Warrant for a grant on rental to Lord Noel, of Ridlington Park, and the bailwick of Lyfield Forest, co. Rutland, with discharge thereof from any previous annexation. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 25. Grant to Walter Jones of an almsroom in Worcester Cathedral. [*Docquet.*]

Jan. 25. 26. Wm. Woodward to Sir John Butler, Bart. Has informed the King of a project for raising money for his service, by demanding from all who hold lands by Knight's service the escuage of 40*s.* for every Knight's fee, which in time of war is claimable by law, and more may be assessed by Parliament unless a composition be made. Thinks that if commissioners were sent into each shire, to summon the tenants to bring their fees to Westminster, and compound for them, or else to prepare horses and men for the war, they would gladly pay. The King likes the scheme, but others try to suppress it. Will only proceed by direction from the Lord Marquis.

Jan. 25. London. 27. Chamberlain to Carleton. More feasting and dancing this Christmas than ever. The masque scenes were devised by Inigo Jones, and the masque written by Ben Jonson, but he runs a risk, by impersonating Geo. Withers the poet, as a whipper of the times, which is a dangerous jest. Dr. White, prebend of St. Paul's, is restrained to his own house, for praying in public that the King and Prince might be preserved from any that should withdraw their zeal to religion. The Prince put away several of his musicians for assisting to sing mass at the Spanish Ambassador's, on Christmas Day. Feast given to the Court by Sheriff Sir Hum. Handford, to which the Prince, Buckingham, and his lady came in unexpectedly. Details of feasts. The King gone to Theobalds. Lady Cave, Sir Herbert Croft's daughter, died of small-pox, and was buried at St. Paul's at night, attended by sixty-five coaches. Coppinger, a former servant of the Earl of Somerset, accuses him of Prince Henry's death, but is thought to be cracked in his wits. The

seals were taken from Sir Robt. Naunton on the 16th, and Sir Edw. Conway was sworn Secretary, the King commending his birth, soldiership, knowledge of languages, sufficiency and honesty; others add his courtiership, in trying to fasten the title of Excellency on Buckingham. The Spanish match is not proceeding so well as hoped. Much discontent that gentlemen are not allowed to have their families in town. The command has done little good, for the markets still rise in price.

Jan. 25. 28. Indenture of sale by Michael West, of Towcester, to Sir John Lambe, of Rothwell, both co. Northampton, of his lease from the Prince of Wales of three closes of meadow land in the manor of Blisworth, &c., co. Northampton, for the yearly rent of one peppercorn. With a covenant for release, on non-payment of 153*l.* 15*s.*, on Jan. 28, 1624.

Jan. 26. Westminster. 29. The King to the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, and others. To take into consideration the propriety of increasing the fees upon the sealing of writs from 6*d.* to 1*s.* 6*d.*, except in actions for debt.

Jan. 27. 30. Certificate of the Lord Mayor, &c. of London and other Commissioners for the delivery of prisoners in Newgate Gaol to the Council, that Wm. Dominick, condemned to death for stealing a purse worth 4*l.*, is reprieved, this being his first offence, and he an excellent drummer, and fit to do the King service.

Jan. 27. Westminster. 31. Warrant for payment to Sec. Conway, of sums not exceeding 700*l.* a year, to be disbursed for intelligences and other secret services, on determination of a similar warrant to Sir Robt. Naunton, for like services.

Jan. 27. Bury. 32. Justices of Suffolk to the Council. Among the orders for remedy of dearth of grain is one forbidding millers to buy and sell corn. Those of Bury have been accustomed to buy it and sell it ground to the poor in smaller quantities than they can buy it in the market, and they make grievous lamentations on this prohibition. Request directions.

Jan. 29. Bury St. Edmund's. 33. Aldermen and Burgesses of Bury St. Edmunds to the Same. The town being a great malting place, orders were issued on receipt of the proclamation, &c. forbidding malting of barley for three weeks, and then allowing it only once a week, in hopes that quantities of barley might be used for bread, instead of which it ceases to be brought to the market. Have suppressed twenty alehouses, restrained the prices of beer to 7*s.* 4*d.* and 4*s.* the barrel, forbidden any but maltsters to make malt, and any but the lawful dealers to buy more corn than will serve their families a week, and have taken the assize of all bread. Have ventured partially to tolerate the sale of meal by the millers, for fear of a mutiny among the poor.

Jan. 29. Newcastle-on-Tyne. 34. Sir Hen. Wodrington, Sir Geo. Selby, and Sir John Fenwick to the Same. Have caused the coal mines of the Earl of Northumberland, called Bird's Nest, to be surveyed as ordered, and finding

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that they are in danger of being drowned if the farmers of them continue to work them as they have begun, have stayed the works.

Jan. 29. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to Lord Treasurer Middlesex. Concerning ryals of eight to be taken up by the Dutch merchants for payment of 20,000*l.* to the English East Indian Company. [*Minute, Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 1.]

Jan. 30. Whitehall. 35. Sir Thos. Wilson to Sec. Conway. Sends a catalogue of the chief heads of the papers in his office [the State Paper Office], and a warrant which Sir Robt. Pye desires may pass the Signet and be returned.

Jan. 30. London. 36. Earl of Leicester to Carleton. Has been too ill to come down stairs most of the winter, and is unwilling that his son should leave him, not knowing what may happen. Wishes him therefore to part with his regiment in the States' service, especially as the allowance given does not meet the expenses of living there, and his own estate is so reduced by long and chargeable services that he cannot supply him.

Jan. 30. Appointment of Sir Edw. Conway to be one of the Chief Secretaries, during pleasure. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

Jan. 30. Grant, in reversion, to Thos. Day of the office of Master of the singing Boys in the King's Chapel, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 353.]

Jan. 31. 37. Attorney General Coventry to the Council. Suggests remedies for the abuses detailed of the office of Clerk of the Market, complained of in Essex, viz., not to compel survey of weights and measures kept only for private use; to levy fines only on the verdict of a jury; not to punish those already punished at the sessions, &c.

Jan. Whitehall. 38. [The Lord Chamberlain?] to the Officers of Greencloth. To enter Jas. Gardner as a reversioner for the office of Barber, on decease or surrender of the present Barber.

Jan. 39. Draft of the above.

Jan. 40. Declaration by the King, that as the former Commissioners from the States General allowed that the 22,000*l.* demanded for Greenland ought long ago to have been paid, the English must have recourse to justice for redress, unless the States will speedily send over a Commissioner to unite with Sir Noel de Caron in the settlement of the affair. Also protest of his Majesty's right to the fishing there, any infringement upon which he will consider as a breach of treaty.

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Feb. 1. Barbican. 1. Lord Zouch to Sec. Conway. In behalf of the petition of two persons, sons of gentlemen, detained in custody at Sandwich. The delinquents for whose offence they are committed had fled away,

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through fear of punishment, before the order came that, until their surrender, the petitioners were to be detained. [*See Dec.* 19, 1622, *and Jan.* 3, 1623.] *Incloses,*

1. i. *Petition of Hugo Vanmerop and Jacob de Wryter to the Council, for release, being confined only because the sailors on board an Amsterdam vessel to which they belong, in the absence of Ant. Vanderhap, the captain, took two barrels of beer out of an Ostend ship in Sandwich Harbour. Were neither present at the offence, nor in any way cognizant of it.*

Feb. 1. 2. Commissioners of Sewers [of Essex] to the Council. [Cornelius] Vermuyden, who contracted for draining the levels of Havering and Dagenham, before Michaelmas last, for 2,000*l.*, on pain of losing his money unless completed in time, not only has accomplished little hitherto, but by his delays and the want of durability in the work he has accomplished, the land is in worse condition than it was before. On this account the country refuses to pay Vermuyden; he urges for payment, and his workpeople clamour for wages, while landholders complain of the danger of their property from the state of the levels. Request directions.

Feb. 1. 3. Locke to Carleton. The States' Ambassadors have been entertained by the merchants at Merchant Tailors' Hall. The King has returned from Theobalds. Great marriage expected between the Lord President's eldest son and Mrs. Susan Hill, Buckingham's kinswoman. It is said that the President will be made Chancellor, and Lord Verulam President of the Council, and have his debts installed and paid from the King's coffers. The Thames of late has had double tides.

Feb. 1. Commission to Thos. Jones and Robt. Greaves to take up at the King's price timber and other necessaries for the toils; also carpenters, shoemakers, tailors, &c. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

Feb. 2. Revocation of the presentation of Wm. George to the rectory of Fisherton. [*Ibid., p.* 354.]

Feb. 3. 4. Justices of Essex to the Council. Find that Bow Bridge, which is the common highway for bringing cattle, grain, &c., from the eastern counties to London, is in so bad a condition that it is in danger of falling in. Have applied to Hen. Mewtis, owner of certain lands in West Ham, which have been charged with the repair of the bridge both before and since the dissolution of the monasteries; but though many verdicts have been given on the liability of the land to the repairs, Mewtis refuses to pay, and pleads ability to show cause for non-payment. The county are unwilling to go to law, and delays are dangerous. Request that either Mewtis be ordered by Council to do the repairs, or that a request be made to some of the judges to decide the case speedily.

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Feb. 3? 5. Wm. Lord Say and Sele to Buckingham. Does not refuse confession from a wish to contest with his sovereign. Was half a year in prison before told that what he was accused of was saying that he could not in conscience give to the King except through Parliament. Explained that his remark was, that a subject should not be compelled to give out of Parliament, and that he offered a general submission; did not, as accused, refuse, as a justice of the peace, to execute the letters [for the benevolence], and break up the assembly, but only excused himself from taking part therein, and proposed deferring the cause to a fuller meeting of justices. His informers being believed rather than himself, has suffered long imprisonment, and desires that it may be accepted in expiation of any fault, but would rather die in prison than subscribe a confession of guilt contrary to his own breast. Entreats leave to breathe wholesome air, and not be stifled in a prison. [*He was removed from the Fleet to his own house at Norton, Feb.* 4. *Council Register.*]

Feb. 3. 6. Agreement between the Commissioners of the Navy and Wm. Burrell, for building two ships of war of 650 and 350 tons, during the ensuing year, at the cost of 7,300*l.*

Feb. 4. 7. Bond of Hen. Stookebrant, of Hamburgh, and Erasmus Dytmer, of Lubec, in 50*l.*, to prefer an indictment and give evidence thereon at the next sessions of Oyer and Terminer in the Cinque Ports, against Ant. du Cann, of Mailleraye, river Seine, charged by them with felony and piracy on the coast of England.

Feb. 4. Whitehall. 8. The Council to Lord Zouch. Directions for release of [Hugo Vanmerop and Jacob de Wryter], they not being the principal delinquents, and having suffered much. [*See Feb.* 1.]

Feb. 5. Chester. 9. Mayor, &c. of Chester to the Council. Request directions about Chas. Browne, reprieved in hopes of his discovering other offenders. His former course of life was bad, and his demeanour shows him to be a dangerous person to be kept long in prison, &c.

[Feb 5.] 10. Observations [by Laud] upon a tract written by a Capuchin monk, once a Protestant, to prove from the vision of St. Paul, that the body of Christ may be in two places at once; proving the falsity of the author's deductions, &c.

Feb. 5. 11. Peter Proby, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. Has made or enforced a survey of corn; finds the city storehouses at Bridewell and the Bridge-house full; and to supply the granaries of the companies, has bought in 2,000 quarters of French wheat, so that if the dealers who hold stocks of corn were compelled to bring it to market, the supply would be good and the prices likely to fall. The store of salt fish for the approaching Lent is very small and insufficient. Much fish is said to have been lost at sea. Has taken means to restrain the number of the poor, by diminishing vagrants and providing for the inhabitants. The borough of Southwark

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belonging partly to the City and partly to the county of Surrey, gives facility for beggars to escape from one to the other. *Incloses,*

11. I. *Account of the stores of salt fish remaining in the hands of several persons in the Company of Fishmongers. Jan.* 26.

11. II. *Certificate [by the Lord Mayor], that of the vagrant persons and wanderers found in London since Oct.* 29, 1622, 570 *are sent to other parts of the country,* 286 *to Ireland, and* 54 *to Scotland.*

Feb. 6. 12. Examination of Robt. Poole, of South Kelsey, Lincolnshire, Steward of the late Lord Willoughby, taken before Lord Zouch, Sec. Conway, and Robt. Middlemore, Commissioners for arbitrating the differences between Lady Willoughby and the executors of the late Lord Willoughby. Unfinished.

Feb. 6. 13. Note of moneys received by Sir Fras. Hele towards the benevolence for the Palatinate, from the hundreds of Whitley, North Petherton, &c. [Somersetshire].

Feb. 7. Southampton. 14. Statement [by the Justices of Hampshire], that orders are taken for restraining maltsters, and for supplying the markets with 500 quarters of corn weekly, allotted in proportions specified to the several hundreds; that the price being somewhat abated, inquiry into the state of the corn stores is dispensed with; three meal sellers are allowed to the town of Southampton, as necessary to retail small quantities of meal to the poor, who are competently relieved, and the county quiet.

Feb. 7. 15. Officers of the Mint to the [Council]. Find the value of the Spanish ryal of eight to be equal to 4*s.* 6½*d.*, as compared with the new sterling coin.

Feb. 7. 16. Bill of charges by John Scandaver for taking and carriage of red deer at Theobald's and Green Mead, since Jan. 2; with note of the King's pleasure that it be fully discharged.

Feb. 7. 17. Memorandum of the power to be given by commission to Fras. Wilsford, to administer oaths in the Courts of Chancery and Admiralty of the Cinque Ports, during the absence of the Lieutenant and Steward of Dover Castle.

Feb. 8. Dartford. 18. Justices of the Hundred of Axton, and Towns of Dartford and Wilmington to Sir Geo. Fane, High Sheriff of Kent. According to the book of orders, have had the grain surveyed, and find good store of wheat, barley, and malt, but little of other grain; have ordered all, not needed for sowing or private use, to be brought to market before harvest, and had the names of owners registered to secure compliance; have forbidden the millers to be purchasers of corn, ordered the assize of bread to the bakers, warned the victuallers to reform disorders, directed that vagrants be apprehended, and the poor set to work. By these means corn is somewhat lowered, and there is greater plenty of it.

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Feb. 9. 19. Locke to Carleton. Rumour of intended treachery against the Prince of Orange. A letter, in a Scottish hand, was set up on the Exchange, addressed to the High and Mighty King James, or Prince Charles, or any of his, with a long row of figures, and within "Take off your hat yourself, and then I shall knowe you to be an honest man, John. Pay the post." The marriage between the Lord President's son and Mrs. Susan Hill was celebrated by the Lord Keeper, in presence of the King, who was in bed. Buckingham gives them 10,000*l.*, and the President is promised promotion. Death of the Earl of Exeter and Sir Thos. Panton.

Feb. 9. Penshurst. 20. Robt. Lord Lisle to Carleton. Sends him some venison, and hopes soon to send greyhounds.

Feb. 10. Licence to Roger Jones to make hard soap, for twenty-one years. [*Grant Bk., p.* 354.]

Feb. 10. Serjeants' Inn. 21. Lord Chief Baron Tanfield and Justice Rich. Hutton to the Council. The accusation of Geo. Woolridge against Emanuel Sandis, of South Petherton, is that Sandis, being a constable, concealed treasonable words spoken by Wm. Lavor, who, in a drunken quarrel with Jas. King, declared he would kill him if he could get at him, which words Woolridge pretended to mean he would kill King James, and accused Sandis for not reporting them; but the grand jury, to whom they, as justices of assize, referred the cause in 1618, found an ignoramus thereon.

Feb. 10. Littlecote. 22. Sir Fras. Popham to Sec. Conway. Rejoices at his promotion. Thanks for favour to his son in the matter now before the Archbp. of Canterbury, of getting away his wife from a wilful ignorant mother and a deceitful wicked servant, who labour to withdraw her affections from her husband.

Feb. 10. London. 23. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King gone to Theobalds. Lord Mandeville's eldest son married to Susan Hill, a kinswoman of the Marquis of Buckingham. The King blessed the bride with one of his shoes. The motive of the match was to obtain the return of 10,000*l.*, lent to Buckingham by the Lord President; some say he has 5,000*l.* more, and is to have ten dishes in court; he needs amends, for he could have had 25,000*l.* with Lady Craven's daughter. Lord St. Alban's busies himself about his works, "Historia Ventorum," "De Vita et Morte," and others. Ten ships are preparing to fetch the Infanta. The tides have ebbed and flowed twice in twenty-four hours. The States' Commissioners were handsomely feasted at parting. M. Aersens' son stays behind to woo Mrs. Smith, Lady Exeter's daughter. Mdlle. St. Luc [the French Ambassador's niece], went away with many presents, and regrets refusing the King's offer of a good match in England. Sir Horace Vere has returned. Sir Isaac Wake comes home to marry Mrs. Bray. News of the conspiracy at the Hague.

Feb. 10. 24. Answer, on behalf of Lady Willoughby, to the demands of the executors of the late Lord Willoughby, for restoration of her late

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husband's plate and household stuff, half being willed to the young lord, and the other half due for payment of debts; and also for money due for expenses and allowance for Sir Geo. Manners, she ignoring and refusing all the demands.

Feb. 10. 25. Robt. Brooke, High Sheriff of Suffolk, to the Council. Sends, according to proclamation, a certificate of the corn in Samford Hundred. There is sufficient store in Ipswich to serve the market. *Incloses,*

25. I. *Certificate addressed to Robt. Brooke by three justices of Samford Hundred, of the quantity of grain found in the hundred. There is in very few of the twenty-eight parishes corn enough to supply the wants of the inhabitants.*

Feb. 11. Theobalds. 26. Sec. Conway to the Lord Treasurer. He is to pursue the business of Ireland, and the East Indies, and, with the Lord Steward and others, to take in hand the articles against Sir Ant. Weldon and Sir Robt. Bannister.

Feb. 11. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 1.]

Feb. 11. Theobalds. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To prepare the business to be sent to Sir Dud. Carleton about the East India fishing. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

Feb. 12. St. Martin's Lane. 27. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends a free relation of the execution of Antonio Foscarini at Venice. The Duchess Dowager of Florence has complied with the King's request made on the suit of the Levant Company, and has exchanged the English Consul at Leghorn, who offended them. Andreas Pawell begs the King's intercession with the Electors of Germany, to induce the Emperor not to transfer the Electorate from the Prince Elector. Asks His Majesty's pleasure relative to the enlargement of Mr. Coppinger, restrained for speaking scandalous words against him.

Feb. 12. 28. Extract from the above.

Feb. 12. Southampton. 29. Mayor, &c. of Southampton to the Council. Have obeyed their orders in suppressing unnecessary alehouses, and moderating the strength of the ale brewed.

Feb. 12. 30. Justices for the division of King's Clere, Hampshire, to Stephen Knight, High Sheriff. Find sufficient corn in the county for sowing the lands and supplying the market till harvest, and have ordered it to be brought to market, and sold first to the poor. Have restrained the excessive making of malt and inordinate resort to alehouses, and endeavoured to relieve the poor by apprenticing their children.

Feb. 12. Grant to Thos. Fowler of the office of Door-keeper and keeper of all persons committed by the Commissioners in cos. Gloucester, Worcester, Hereford, and Shropshire. [*Grant Bk., p.* 353.]

Feb. 13. Lambeth. 31. Sentence by the Ecclesiastical Commissioners, of deprivation against John Newton, Curate of Harvordstock, Essex, for grave offences against the Book of Common Prayer, and the rites of the Church, committed after due warnings. Latin.

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Feb. 13. London. 32. Mary Lady Vere to Sec. Conway. Her brother, Thos. Tracy, was one of nine patentees to whom was granted a patent for making glass with seacoal, on payment of 1,000*l.* a year to the King, 260*l.* a year for their glass houses, &c.; he left by will his interest therein to her children. Sir Robt. Mansell, wishing to engross the whole trade, offered to pay all expenses, and allow each patentee 200*l.* a year, on their giving up the work, but now he sues for a new patent, which will release him from these promises, and cause great loss to the former patentees. Begs that the case may be heard in Council before Sir Robert is allowed to proceed.

Feb. 13. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To write such letters as M. Pawell may require from the King, for the advantage of the King of Bohemia. Also to send to Court the examinations and proofs against Coppinger. [*Minute, Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 1.]

Feb. 14. St. Martin's Lane. 33. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends the examination of Coppinger. Sir Lewis Lewkenor wishes to know the King's pleasure as to defraying the journey charges of Boischot, the Ambassador to Newmarket, this being customary, even when they are not defrayed in London. Naunton and he [Calvert] were accustomed to make a posthouse of their lodgings, and have all letters sent there for despatch. Requests Conway to do the same.

Feb. 14. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The Archduchess' Ambassador is to have his expenses discharged from London to Newmarket, where Sec. Calvert and the Chancellor [of the Exchequer] are to meet him with such papers as concern the negociation. The business of gold thread and of the ryals of eight to be hastened. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 1.]

Feb. 14. Theobalds. The Same to the Same. The letter mentioned by him from Sir Dud. Carleton was not sent. Returns letters specified. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 14. Theobalds. Proclamation of the King's appointment of Lord Admiral Buckingham, Earl Marshal Arundel, Lord Chamberlain Pembroke, and the Bishops of Winchester and St. David's, as Commissioners to sit weekly for redress of such complaints of oppressions and grievances as are not amenable to the courts of law, in order that all cause of whisperings and discontent may be removed. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 111.]

Feb. 14. Launceston. 34. Mayor, &c. of Launceston to the Council. Have executed their orders for suppressing unnecessary alehouses, &c. Find that the bushel of wheat has come down in price from 12*s.* to 10*s.*, and that the quantity of barley brought to market is doubled.

Feb. 15. Norwich. 35. Justices of Norfolk to the Same. Are thwarted in their endeavours to prevent dearth of grain by the disobedience of private individuals, Edw. Tompson, of Bacton, Geo. Gwynne, of Gimingham, and others, who for their own gain export quantities of grain; have recently stopped much barley, prepared for export. The

quantity in the county is insufficient, it being much used, because those who have wheat sell it at high prices for gain, and use barley for their bread. Have ordered the poor to mix their barley with buck for bread, but they are loath to obey. Request directions and orders for punishment of offenders.

Feb. 15. 36. John Woodford to [Sir Fras. Nethersole]. The King broke out into expressions of unusual content at the news of the Prince of Orange's escape from the late conspiracy, and declares solemnly that he will give up the traitors to the States, if they retreat into his dominions. Buckingham and the Lord Treasurer are reconciled. Sec. Cottington is married to Lady Brett, Mr. Hopton to Lady Lewin, and some say Phil. Mainwaring to the Countess of Berkshire. Wray is set at liberty. The Earl of Oxford is to be publicly tried next term. A ship is sent to Dunkirk to bring over Boischot, the Infanta's Ambassador.

Feb. 15. Grantham. 37. Burgesses of Grantham to the Council. Have suppressed all unnecessary alehouses, in hopes of diminishing the high price of barley, and have appointed overseers to report monthly the names of offenders who sell beer and ale at higher prices than allowed.

Feb. 15. 38. Locke to [Carleton]. Has told the Lord Treasurer that Carleton is 2,000*l.* in arrears, being more than he was behind when his Lordship took office. The Lord Keeper sends a packet and 40*l.* for the use of his brother-in-law, Hugh Williams.

Feb. 16. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. On certain business recommended by the King to Council. He is to prepare for the King a relation of particulars from M. Pawell, the King of Bohemia's minister. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 2.]

Feb. 16. Theobalds. The Same to the Same. On defraying the Archduchess' Ambassador, his accommodation and journey to Newmarket. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 16. Theobalds. The Same to Sir Geo. Goring. Returns a commission, signed by the King, granting to the Earl of Exeter the Lieutenancy of Northamptonshire. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 17. Theobalds. The Same to the Lord Chamberlain. He is to accommodate M. Boischot, the Archduchess' Ambassador, in his journey to Newmarket, and hasten him thither. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 17. Aldersgate Street. 39. Sir Hen. Mildmay to Sec. Conway. Sir Noel Caron is discontented, because he has not received, as usual, the same present as the other Commissioners, although he was one in the Commission. Requests a warrant for 500 oz. of plate for him, the same as given to each of the others.

Feb. 17. Dartmouth. 40. Mayor of Dartmouth and Thos. Gourney to the Council. Have suppressed all unnecessary brewhouses, ordered no beer to be sold at more than 16*s.* the hogshead, and no unnecessary consumption of grain.

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Feb. 17. Theobalds. 41. Petition of Dame Catherine Mompesson to the King, for permission for her husband to return a short time to England, to settle his estate, which is much perplexed with debt, and most of it detained by Thos. Mompesson, his brother, contrary to His Majesty's grant of it to herself, for relief and maintenance. With order thereon.

Feb. 18. Royston. 42. Grant to Sir Giles Mompesson of licence to return to England for three months, provided he live privately, do not resort to Court nor to public assemblies, and apply himself to settling his estates, paying his debts, and providing maintenance for his wife.

Feb. 18. 43, 44. Two drafts of the above.

Feb. 18. Royston. 45. The King to the Earl of Nottingham. To give a warrant to John Scandaver to take twenty does and thirty male deer from the park at Odiham, to be transferred to Bearwood Walk, Windsor Forest.

Feb. 18. Westminster College. 46. Lord Keeper Williams to Sir John Lambe. Such of the clergy, as, after warnings of the heinousness of their offence, still undutifully and disobediently refuse to contribute to the Palatinate, "like a company of graceless menn that forget how much the clergy of England are bound, above all other people, to the Royal grandfather of these distressed Princes," are to be summoned before the Archbp. of Canterbury and himself, to give the reasons of their obstinacy.

Feb. 18. Royston. 47. Sec. Conway to Mr. Comptroller [Sir John Suckling]. The King is surprised not to hear from him on the clothing business, about which he gave him special directions. He is to prepare and forward to Court the answers to the reasons sent by the Council of Scotland about Commissioners to be sent thence on the wool business, that His Majesty may judge therein, the point being important to both kingdoms.

Feb. 18. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 2.]

Feb. 18. [Royston.] 48. The Same to the Lord President [of the Council.] Asks whether the proclamation for the examination of grievances be published. The King is surprised not to received a printed copy of it as usual.

Feb. 18. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 2.]

Feb. 18. Royston. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To order payment of 60*l.* to John Scandaver, for taking deer and conveying them to Newhall. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

Feb. 18. Royston. The Same to the Same. Concerning some royal recompence to be made to the Earl of Carlisle and Sir Robt. Naunton. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 18. Pembroke Hall. 49. Dr. Jerome Beale to Wm. Boswell. Begs to be forgiven, because, in his absence, the living of Ditton, which he had promised to Mr. Mannering, was given by the Deputy Vice Chancellor to Mr. Coates.

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Feb. 18? 50. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] of the charge of setting forth in warlike manner eight ships and two pinnaces, for five months, with 1,945 men, to be employed on special service to the coast of Spain. Total, 17,434*l.* 10*s.*

Feb. 20. London. 51. Dud. Carleton to [Sir D. Carleton]. Has endeavoured in vain to get money; the Treasurer pleads poverty; was intending to gain from Buckingham the reversion of Eton for Carleton, Mr. Murray being very ill, but Buckingham has suddenly gone to attend the Prince to Spain; his Secretary, Mr. Porter, and Grimes, a servant of Buckingham, form the suite; they rode through Essex and Kent disguised with false beards; they were first thought to be Barnevelt's sons. The Mayor of Canterbury stayed them, and Sir Hen. Mainwaring, who, with Sir Lewis Lewkenor, was convoying the Infanta's Ambassador Boischot, met them, and sent warrants to stay them. The Council has met on special business, even the clerks being excluded.

Feb. 20. Maidstone. 52. Certificate of the Mayor and Jurats of Maidstone, that they have suppressed many alehouses, forbidden immoderate tippling, and the resort to alehouses of the poor and disorderly, and restrained the price of beer to 7*s.* a barrel.

Feb. 20. Liverpool. 53. Mayor, &c. of Liverpool to the Council. Have suppressed as many alehouses as could be spared, in a town which is so great a resort as a haven, and taken bonds of those still allowed. Much good is done thereby. Corn is plentiful in the market, but the prices somewhat high.

Feb. 20. Devizes. 54. Mayor of Devizes and Justices of Wiltshire to the Council. Have suppressed twelve alehouses in the borough of Devizes, and fixed the assize of beer. The market is competently furnished with grain, and the prices somewhat falling, but many poor are out of work, or at low wages, because of the small profit on the sale of cloth.

Feb. 20. Dorset Court. 55. Sir John Suckling, Comptroller, to Sec. Conway. The King shall speedily have an account of the Commissioners' proceedings on the weighty business of the clothing, especially the Spanish ryals of eight; and also of the answer to be sent to Scotland to the reasons of the Council there, about Scotch wools.

Feb. 20. Royston. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The Archbp. of Canterbury is to be informed that moderation is to be used in sermons and public prayers, and no dangers or doubts about the Prince's journey to be expressed. M. Boischot is to be hastened to Newmarket. [*Minute, Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 2.]

Feb. 21. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. To inform the Archbp. of Canterbury and Bp. of London, "that these words only be added to the prayer for the Prince, 'prosper his journey and give him a safe return.'" *Ibid., p.* 3.]

Feb. 21. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord President. The Council is to sit constantly about the business of Ireland and other important affairs, and none of them are to come to Court without express leave from His Majesty. [*Ibid.*]

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Feb. 21. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Lord President, and the Master of the Rolls. To take special care of the repair of highways between London and Royston, especially at Collins Inn, near Ware, where the King notices their being hardly passable; to examine whether the fault be in the Surveyor or the county, and to provide an effectual remedy. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 3.]

Feb. 21. Newmarket. The Same to Attorney General Coventry. The Bill about Oxford is to be communicated to the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, and others. He is to expedite a commission for examination of piracies. [*Ibid. p.* 2.]

Feb. 21. Westminster. 56. The King to the Lord President of Wales. To admit Edw. Watis, as one of the Counsel of Wales, in the place of Sir Edw. Littleton, deceased.

Feb. 21. Kingston-upon-Hull. 57. Mayor, &c. of Kingston-upon-Hull to the Council. In the three parishes of the county there is not sufficient grain to sow the lands, and to maintain the people there; there are no broggers of corn, and but four bakers, three maltsters, and nine alehouse keepers, the latter of whom they have bound to observe the assize of beer. The town is tolerably supplied with imported grain, which is sold at 4*l.* the quarter, wheat; rye 32*s.* and 30*s.*; barley 27*s.*, beans 23*s.* Have suppressed some alehouses, &c.

Feb. 22. London. 58. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to [Lord Zouch]. Details of his journey to Calais to fetch over the Archduchess' Ambassador. Going towards London, met three persons disguised with hoods and false beards, and carrying pistols, coming from Essex, whose suspicious manners caused him to send post after them to stay them. Wished to have told his Lordship the story himself. No news yet arrived of the Prince's landing. The Ambassador is a witty little fellow, and hopes to effect much for the Queen of Bohemia, and the Palatinate. The Earl of Rutland is going with ten ships after the Prince, and is to act as Admiral, till the Lord Admiral come on board.

Feb. 22. London. 59. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. Marquis Hamilton has the Earl of Exeter's vacant Garter. Sir Fras. Cottington made a Baronet. Knighthood is conferred on young [Wm.] Monnson, who once aspired to be a favourite, on Brett of the Bedchamber, and on Signor Biondi, who has married Mayerne's sister. Boischot, the Archduchess' Ambassador, has arrived, lodges with the Spanish Ambassador, and will not have his expenses paid; he was to have audience at Cambridge, where there was a great contest between the seniors and juniors of Trinity College about plays; it was referred to the Lord Keeper, and by him to the King, the seniors saying, that the times demanded rather prayers and fasting, than plays and feasting; this was ill taken and the plays ordered, but after all, the King does not go to Cambridge. Journey of the Prince and Buckingham from Newhall to Tilbury, where they crossed over to Gravesend, thence to Rochester, Canterbury, and Dover, whence they sailed; their fair-riding coats, and false beards, of which one fell off at Gravesend, caused suspicion, and messengers were sent after them, who overtook them near Sittingbourne, where one of their horses failed; they were stayed at Canterbury by the Mayor, on a notice

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sent him from Sir Lewis Lewkenor, who attended the Ambassador. They got away, but were stayed again at Dover, where they gave some secret satisfaction; the Council knew nothing of their journey till Wednesday, when it was in everybody's mouth, but few believed it at first. The King sent to the Council to say, it was the doing of the Prince, who wants to try whether he is fairly dealt with, and not of Buckingham, and that they were not told, because "secrecy was the life of the business;" they are ordered to stay, by proclamation or otherwise, the amazement of the people, who say it is done that the Prince may be married at a mass. It is thought a dangerous and unexampled experiment. The French Ambassador got tidings of it, and sent off posts, but the ports are stayed, and they may not have found a passage.

Feb. 22. Yarmouth. 60. Bailiffs of Yarmouth to Sec. Conway. Entreat licence for fishing boats which are going to the North Seas, &c., and not to foreign ports, to proceed on their voyages, notwithstanding the late restraint of all shipping and passengers.

Feb. 22? 61. Petition of Wm. Andrew and other owners of ships of Ipswich now detained at Harwich, to the Council, that their vessels may be allowed to proceed to London.

Feb. 22. Exeter. 62. Mayor and Burgesses of Exeter to the Council. Have suppressed all the alehouses that can be spared, punished those who set up tippling houses without licence, and reformed the strength of the beer and ale.

Feb. 22. Lichfield. 63. Justices of Staffordshire to the Council. Have committed Randolph Lacy to Stafford Gaol, not knowing how far certain words spoken by him may tend to ill. *Inclose,*

63. I. *Examinations of Rich. Frankton, of Wolverhampton, and Fras. Onions, of Wednesbury. Heard Randolph Lacy say, that had a certain person been living when King James came to England, he would never have been King. He refused to say who this person was, but that it was a man, and no one of His Majesty's progenitors, whereon the constable was sent for, and he was taken up. Feb.* 22.

63. II. *Examination of Randolph Lacy. The person whom he meant was the late Earl of Essex, but he never knew nor spoke with him, and will not say by whom he heard this said. Is a tailor from Newington, near London, and a stranger in Staffordshire. Feb.* 22.

Feb. 22. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The King expects satisfaction by Lord Chichester, as to why the Earl of Carlisle and Sec. Calvert do not write. No messengers come to Court, nor has any good resulted from threatening the posts. [*Minute, Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 3.]

Feb. 22. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. Refers to him the consideration of a suit made to the King in favour of the Earl of Carlisle and his

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succession, and of Lord Denney, to make Visct. Doncaster a Knight. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 3.]

Feb. 22. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Earl Marshal Arundel. He is to exercise the trained foot-bands in Middlesex, to write to the Lord Mayor of London about the well ordering of the City, and to keep an eye to it himself. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 22. Newmarket. The Same to the Mayor of Cambridge. To provide bedding for the Archduchess' Ambassador, against his coming thither. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 22. Newmarket. The Same to the Clerk of the Signet. To draw a presentation for the King to the parsonage of Tempsford, Bedfordshire. [*Ibid., p.* 4.]

Feb. 23. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To hasten the despatch of a Royal grace intended by the King for Chris. Villiers, to the value formerly named to his Lordship by his Majesty. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 23. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Requires an account of the proceedings of the Spanish Ambassador and other matters. He is to quicken the posts and open the ports. Directions about Sir Hen. Holcroft and Irish affairs. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 23. Newmarket. The Same to the Officers of the Ports of Yarmouth, Colchester, and Ipswich. To open the ports and allow free passage to the shipping, which was restrained on the Prince's passing over. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 23. Newmarket. 64. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The King is hourly expecting to hear of M. Boischot's setting forward; if he have not set out, he is to be hastened as much as possible.

Feb. 23. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 4.]

Feb. 23. St. Martin's Lane. 65. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The Prince left Dover at five A.M., on the 19th, for Boulogne, with a fair wind. A post from Flanders, which left Calais on the 20th, at four P.M., had heard nothing of him till he reached Dover, so it is hoped that he has outridden all intelligence. Has obeyed the King's directions concerning preachers, and hopes no cause of offence will be given. The soldiers of Frankenthal must have speedy supplies of money, unless the sequestration be speedily concluded.

Feb. 24. Westminster College. 66. The Lord Keeper to the Justices of Westminster. To require from the constables and churchwardens of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields and St. Clement Danes the names of those who remain in Westminster, contrary to the proclamation, and to make their returns at the same time as those from London and Middlesex, that offenders may not escape by removing from one jurisdiction to another.

Feb. 24. 67. Peter Proby, Lord Mayor of London, to the Council. Has provided, according to their order, 800 soldiers, to be conveniently disposed about the City on the morrow [Shrove Tuesday], and hopes to have all things peacefully carried on.

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Feb. 24. 68. Rich. Owen Theodore, High Sheriff of Anglesey, to the Council. Sends a certificate from the Justices of Peace of the county of their proceedings for remedying the dearth of grain, &c. *Incloses,*

68. I. *Justices of Anglesey to the High Sheriff. Have ordered the market to be supplied, as long as corn remains in the county, but there is not enough to last till harvest, and, if there were, the people have not money to buy it, being so decayed by lack of sale of cattle, on account of the import of Irish cattle, and the want of sale of cloth. The prices of grain are, wheat* 9*s. a bushel, barley* 5*s., oatmeal* 6*s., rye* 7*s., &c. Llangeffni, Feb.* 19, 1623.

Feb. 24. Stamford. 69. Aldermen, &c. of Stamford to the Council. Have suppressed seventeen victuallers, assized the beer to 10*s.* and 5*s.* the barrel, and ordered victuallers to sell it at 1*d.* or ½*d.* a quart, to such as require it.

Feb. 24. Coventry. 70. Mayor, &c. of Coventry to the Same. Have suppressed needless alehouses, moderated the strength of beer, and ordered provision of corn at reasonable rates for the poor.

Feb. 24. 71. Justices of Peace of Sheppy, Kent, to Sir Geo. Fane, High Sheriff. Fear that the supply of corn will be very deficient, but have taken orders for supply of the poor at reasonable rates, so long as it lasts.

Feb. 24. Richmond. 72. Aldermen and Recorder of the Borough of Richmond, Yorkshire, to the Council. Have suppressed sundry alehouses, and ordered those licensed to sell at the rate of 4*d.* per gallon. Had a survey made of the grain, and prescribed to the maltsters the prices and proportion at which they are to issue it.

Feb. 24. Plymouth. 73. Mayor and Burgesses of Plymouth to the Same. Have suppressed disorderly or superfluous alehouses, restrained the strength and price of beer to 13*s.* 4*d.* the hogshead, and given orders to the maltsters that no barley be wastefully spent.

Feb. 24. 74. Mayor of Winchester to the Same. Have suppressed needless alehouses, reduced the price of beer to 1*d.* a quart the best, and 1*d.* a pottle small beer, forbidden vain consumption of grain, restrained the eight maltsters of the city to sell in proportions allotted, for the use of the inhabitants and travellers. The price of corn is somewhat abated, and the market well furnished, so that there is rather scarcity of money to buy with than of corn to be bought.

Feb. 24. St. Martin's Lane. 75. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Is sorry the King is dissatisfied with him, for not writing. Will send more speedy messengers. Yesterday all the Lords of the Council in town went to the sermon at St. Paul's Cross, and dined at the Lord Mayor's, where a health was drunk to the prosperity of the Prince's journey, and his safe

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return. A letter of thanks to the Mayor would be seasonable. Has assured the deputies of Frankenthal that their memorial shall be considered.

Feb. 24. 76. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Is sorry the King is angry at not being advertised of the Ambassador's arrival, but it was the Lord Chamberlain's place to send notice, to whom, and to Sir Lewis Lewkenor, he had entrusted it. Asks in what way the King will have the departure of the Prince communicated to his son-in-law and the Ambassador in Holland.

Feb. 24. Newmarket. 77. Sec. Conway to [Sec. Calvert]. The King's directions to Lord Chichester about the Prince's journey are to be communicated to the French Ambassador. The proclamation about his journey is to be stayed, and its purport signified to the country by letters from Council.

Feb. 24. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 4.]

Feb. 24. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The Council are to attend the Lent sermons. Two ships belonging to the Archduchess, which are blocked up in Scotland by the Hollanders, are to be set at liberty. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

Feb. 25. St. Martin's Lane. 78. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The Lords met yesterday on the Irish business, and will do so daily till it be finished. Incloses a proclamation made by order of Council and two Commissions for signature. *Incloses,*

78. 1. [*Proposed*] *Proclamation that all jealousies and doubts about the sudden departure of the Prince out of the realm may be set aside, as it was with the King's consent, grounded upon certain weighty occasions, and likely to issue to the content of both King and subjects. The people are to rest upon His Majesty's judgment therein, and unite in prayer for the health and safety of the Prince.*

Feb. 25. St. Martin's Lane. 79. The Same to the Same. Had not time, the day he returned from Newmarket, to see the Spanish Ambassador, but wrote to tell him of the Prince's journey, and the reasons of its secrecy. He replied, that he was well contented, and would pray for its prosperity. Cannot remember the overtures which he should have made to the Ambassador. Sir Hen. Holcroft's plea of ignorance on the affairs of Ireland is false. Will acquaint the Lords with the order for opening the ports. The Prince de Joinville having given up the idea of a journey to England, it will not be needful to offer to send the Lord Steward to France, in requital of the courtesy.

Feb. 25. Newmarket. 80. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Has tried to pacify the King's discontent with Calvert for not writing word what the Spanish Ambassador said, and how he looked when the message was delivered, about the Prince's journey. His Majesty wishes to know what has

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passed in the select committee on the Earl of Bristol's business. The proclamation is to be the basis of the letters written to the King of Bohemia and Sir Dud. Carleton [on the Prince's journey].

Feb. 25. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 4.]

Feb. 25. Newmarket. 81. Sec. Conway to the Mayor of London. Thanks from the King for his affection shown to himself by his entertainment of the Lords of the Council.

Feb. 25. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 4.]

Feb. 25. 82. Copy of the above.

Feb. 25. Newmarket. 83. Sec. Conway to the Attorney General. To call before him the owner and tenant of a coney warren at Foulmere near Royston, which hinders the King's sport, and request them to have it diswarrened; should they refuse, their warrant for making the warren is to be called for, and dissolved if found in any way defective.

Feb. 25. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 4.]

Feb. 25. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Calvert. Sends the Earl of Bristol's letter to be communicated to the committee for that business. [*Minute, Ibid., p.* 3.]

Feb. 25. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sir Lewis Lewkenor. On the Ambassador's coming to Court from Cambridge. [*Ibid., p.* 4.]

Feb. 25. 84. John Packer to Sec. Conway. The Attorney General and Mr. Coke think that the Commission about piracies will include the French Ambassador's complaints, though not distinctly specified. The Commission has not passed the Seal, and may be altered if the King wishes it. Fotherley has some papers to present for signature on [Buckingham's] business.

Feb. 25. Ripon. 85. Mayor and Burgesses of Ripon to the Council. Have suppressed half the alehouses, and moderated the strength of beer, to help the present scarcity of grain.

Feb. 26. Maidstone. 86. Certificate, by the Justices of the eastern division of the Lathe of Aylesford, Kent, of the quantity of grain found in their division, excepting Maidstone, and of the proportion thereof that can be brought to market after deduction for home consumption; also of the prices of the past month.

Feb. [26 ?] Kent. 87. Similar certificate from the Justices of the north division of the Lathe of Aylesford, Kent, to the same effect.

Feb. 26. Warwick. 88. Bailiff, &c. of Warwick to the Council. Have suppressed needless alehouses and maltsters, ordered barley to be sold to the poor at 3*s.* the strike, which is 1*s.* below the market price, and restrained beer to 1*d.* or ½*d.* per quart.

Feb. 26. Harwich. 89. Mayor, &c. of Harwich to the Same. Have suppressed needless alehouses, and reduced beer and ale from 9*s.* to 8*s.*, and small beer from 6*s.* 8*d.* to 6*s.* the barrel.

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Feb. 26. Newport. 90. Mayor of Newport, Isle of Wight, to the Council. Has suppressed nine alehouses, and abated the assize of beer.

Feb. 26. Bath. 91. Mayor and Burgesses of Bath to the Same. Have suppressed needless alehouses, and regulated the strength of beer.

Feb. 26. Sandwich. 92. Stephen Gybbes to Thos. Benson. Complains of a proudly conceited neighbour, Mr. Harris, of Sandgate Castle, who keeps scholars in the castle, and refuses to produce his authority for so doing.

Feb. 26. St. Martin's Lane. 93. Sec. Calvert to the King. Forwards a packet received from the Prince, who left Paris on Sunday morning at 4 o'clock. Is sorry they make not more haste, as they presume the journey to be kept more secret in England than it is.

Feb. 26. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To prepare a letter for the King's signature on behalf of Signor Rovidius, of Milan. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 4.]

Feb. 26. Newmarket. 94. The Same to the President of the Council. The King requests him to end the business of Ireland, prepare an account of the proceedings therein, and then go on with the rest of the business.

Feb. 26. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 5.]

Feb. 26. Newmarket. 95. The Same to John Coke, Master of Requests. To report, with the other Navy Commissioners, whether the Lord Admiral's pinnace is swift and strong enough to carry the Prince's servants, jewels, &c. to Spain, and how soon and at what cost it or any other bark can be made ready. Also, whether there are any merchant ships going that could escort the pinnace, and, if not, what ship could be prepared for that service. Information on these points is to be sent to the King.

Feb. 26. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 5.]

Feb. 26. Newmarket. 96. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Requests his assistance for Mr. Coke in providing the pinnace, &c., as named above, for the Prince's jewels, which it was not thought wise to send by land, with a weak escort. The King likes to receive all informations from abroad or from the coasts.

Feb. 26. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 5.]

Feb. 26. 97. List of letters returned [by Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert.

Feb. 27. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Requests that Mr. Bunckle may have the carriage of a packet. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 6.]

Feb. 27. Newmarket. The Same to Visct. Andover. Recommends Gabriel Marsh to go in his company to Spain. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 27. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Concerning the pardon for the priest. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 27. Newmarket. The Same to John Coke, Master of Requests. Concerning the commission about piracies. He is to inform himself of the actions of Sir Hen. Mervin, &c. [*Ibid.*]

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Feb. 27. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Lord President. To inform the King from time to time of the proceedings of Council, and to relieve therein Sec. Calvert, who has much foreign business now lying on him. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 6.]

Feb. 27. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Chichester. To speak with the French Ambassador about the commission for piracies, and to inquire of the Prince's passage through France. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 27. Newmarket. 98. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The Ambassadors will be in London early enough to begin the treaty on Monday, and the Commissioners are to be in readiness. The Infanta's complaints [concerning trade]* are to be considered by them. The King asks whether it be fit to pardon the priest. News of the Prince's safe passage has arrived.

Feb. 27. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 5.]

Feb. 27. Commission to Wm. Earl of Exeter to be Lieutenant of Northamptonshire. [*Grant Bk., p.* 352.]

Feb. 27. Grant to Sir Wm. Hewitt of the office of Receiver General of all compositions for provisions of the King's Household, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 365.]

Feb. 27. Grant to Jas. Gibson of the office of Master Gunsmith in the Tower, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 353.]

Feb. 27? Proclamation of letters patent, granted Feb. 17, 1623, to Geo. Withers, for the sole printing of his book, entitled "Hymns and Songs of the Church," His Majesty having taken special notice of the book, and conceiving it to tend to the glory of God and increase of Christian knowledge. Also prohibiting the binding up of any psalm book in metre, without a copy of the said work annexed. With list of the twelve sizes in which the work is published. Printed. [*Ibid., No.* 111 *A.*]

Feb. 27. Newmarket. Proclamation renewing that of Aug 6, 1621, prohibiting English seamen from serving foreign princes, and also forbidding their withdrawing from or refusing the King's service, ordering them, when prest-money is offered them, "dutifully and reverently to receive the same," and repair on shipboard, and forbidding those employed in impressing mariners to allow any to be bought off or exchanged for others less able. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 112.]

Feb. 27. St. Martin's Lane. Sec. Calvert to Carleton. On Monday the 17th, the King went from Theobalds to Royston, and the Prince and Buckingham to Newhall, pretending to join him at Newmarket, instead of which they posted from Newhall to Gravesend, thence in disguise to Dover, where, being joined by Sir Fras. Cottington and Endymion Porter, sent on beforehand to provide shipping and to stop the ports, they sailed for France, en route for Spain. The rumour flew to Newmarket, where the Council knelt to implore the King to tell them if it was true. He said it was, the Prince passionately desiring thus to put an end to the business that so long distracted the King's affairs;

* The passages in brackets in the Conway Letters are supplied from the Minutes in the Letter Book, which, though brief, frequently contain names or points of information not occurring in the letters themselves.

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but pomp and splendour being inconvenient, he had gone privately. His Majesty reminded them how he, his father, and his grandfather, had gone from Scotland to fetch their wives. After long discourses, they persuaded him to send some person of distinction after the Prince, in case he were stayed in France, and Lord Carlisle was chosen, and sent off at once. The Prince and Duke sailed on the 19th at five A.M., were very sick at sea, landed at Boulogne at noon, reached Paris on the 21st, and left on the 23d at four A.M. [*Holl. Corresp., Feb.* 27.]

Feb. 27. London. 99. Dud. Carleton to [Sir Dud. Carleton]. The Prince and Buckingham took ship at Dover the 19th, landed at Dieppe the 20th, reached Paris the 21st, and left the 23d, without being discovered. Lord Carlisle has sailed for France. There has been great watch and ward in London this Shrovetide; the captains of the guard went to Newmarket, to secure all there. Expresses were sent to Scotland and Ireland, and letters from Council into all the counties, to suppress any commotions on account of the Prince's absence. Sir Fras. Cottington protested exceedingly against the journey. Buckingham took with him Sir Paul Pindar's great diamonds, promising to talk with him about paying for them; and other jewels of the King are gone the same way. The Prince left a list of persons, including Lords Andover, Carey, Compton, and Vane, who were to follow him, and the King has added others. It is surmised that the treaty is not near an end, because the Prince's fleet proceeds slowly, though the Lord Treasurer makes it an excuse for paying no other moneys. His preservation was prayed for in all the churches on Sunday. Many discourses arise about the journey. Not one of the Council, except Buckingham, knew of it beforehand, and all profess great apprehension. If the marriage be forward enough for the Prince's presence at Madrid, why should he not go with an equipage, fleet, and suite suitable to his station? If all is still uncertain, why should he risk his person and give the King of Spain the advantage, by putting himself into his hands? Wise men are troubled, and betake themselves to prayer, rather than to inquiry. In France, his security depends upon his not being discovered. The Queen of Bohemia, though she thinks not of it, is his great security in Spain. The King is at Newmarket, cheerful, and displeased with any that show discontent or sadness.

Feb. 28. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Lord Chamberlain Pembroke. Concerning a bill sent for signature, granting to Mr. Thorowgood the reversion of the Mastership of the Revels. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 6.]

Feb. 28. Newmarket. Note that the grant to David Ramsay of forfeited recognizances, the grant of an almsroom procured at his suit, and a presentation for Mr. King to the benefice of Tempsford, were all signed and sent to the Clerk of the Signet. [*Ibid.*]

Feb. 28. 100—107. Certificate by the Constables of the parishes of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, St. Clement Danes, and St. Mary-at-the-Strand alias Savoy, of those persons who still remain in their several wards, contrary to His Majesty's proclamation. Feb. 27 and 28. Eight papers.

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Feb. 28. Lyme Regis. 108. Mayor of Lyme Regis to the Council. Has suppressed needless alehouses, and will enforce by frequent personal inspection the fulfilment of orders to moderate the strength of beer.

Feb. 28. Barnstaple. 109. Mayor and Corporation of Barnstaple to the Same. Have suppressed needless alehouses, ordered no malt to be made of barley but only of oats, and the corn to be brought publicly to market; yet prices increase, and the country grows poorer.

[Feb. 28.] 110. Petition of Sir Wm. Button to the Same, for redress against persons impeding his deputies in the execution of his office of Attorney for the county and hundred courts of Glamorgan.

[Feb. 28.] 111. Petition of Servaies Helinck and Company to the Same. Some Dort gold and silver thread imported by them, was, after various obstacles, permitted by the Lord Treasurer to be brought in, but was then seized by the Goldsmiths' Company, and ordered by Council to be re-delivered to the petitioners, and exported again; pray for payment for what is already sold, and permission to sell the rest, on promise not to import any more except of the Venice sort. *Annex,*

111. I. *Petition of John Carpenter to Lord Treasurer Mandeville, for permission to land some silver thread made at Dort, paying only the customs on French silver, which it equals in value, and not those on Venice silver. With reference thereon, Aug.* 6 1621, *to the Officers of Customs; their report, Oct.* 13, 1621, *stating the comparative value of the thread; and order by Lord Treasurer Cranfield for admission of the thread, on its paying the dues, according to its true value.*

111. II. *Officers of the Mint to the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer. Report that the silver thread and purle made at Dort, which was tested at the Tower, contain one third less silver than equal quantities of the same made in England. The Mint, March* 9.

111. III. *Report of Trials of the silver work brought from Dort, made at the Tower, by the Lord Treasurer's order, in presence of some of the Officers of the Mint, the Wardens of the Goldsmiths' Company, and the Dutchmen who imported it, proving that a pound weight of English work exceeds a pound weight of Dutch in value by* 20*s.* 6½*d. March* 10.

Feb. 28. St. Martin's Lane. 112. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Prays that some further directions may be sent for conducting the treaty, as the Commissioners will not like to act on their own judgment, and without full directions, much time will be consumed in sending to and fro between London and Newmarket; also that the Lord Steward, Marquis Hamilton, Earl Marshal, and the other Commissioners, may be sent back from Newmarket, if the treaty is to begin on Monday; they are also on the Committee to consider about the Earl of Bristol's money; he was promised 20,000*l.* for his entire charges, but more for the betrothal or marriage ceremonies. Things are so unready

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in the ships that they cannot speedily be prepared. No news out of France of the Prince. Desires an indemnity for Rich. Bachoven, of Frankfort, who is his correspondent for His Majesty's service.

Feb. 28. Charing Cross. 113. Sir Robt. Naunton to Sec. Conway. Recommends the bearer, Sir Hen. Mainwaring, to be appointed Captain in the Admiral's ship destined for Spain, the King having a high opinion of his abilities by sea.

Feb. 28. Whitehall. 114. Visct. Mandeville to the Same. Incloses the reasons sent from Scotland against exporting their wools to England, and the general answers thereto of the Commissioners of Trade.

[Feb. 28.] 115. Committee of Council to the King. Having examined the bill of the Attorney General against the Earl of Oxford, they think the last charge, of his refusal to take the oath of a justice of peace, had better be omitted, as questionable; the three other charges, being for serious matters, they advise that the bill be preferred the first day in next term, and the Earl kept in restraint till it is in court, and then set free.

Feb. 28. Notes [by Sec. Conway] of the two preceding letters. [*Dom. Corresp., March* 1.]

Feb. ? 116. Sir Nich. Prideaux and [Justices of one division of Cornwall] to the Council. Have ordered all the spare corn and grain to be brought to market, but it will not be sufficient to supply the wants of the people; state the quantities in store, and the prices, &c.

Feb. ? 117. Sir Edw. Sackville to Sec. Conway. To expedite his licence to travel. Could not secure Mr. Cock the present keepership of the New Prison, Middlesex, but has contrived that he shall be admitted before long.

Feb. ? 118. [The Council] to the Lord Mayor, &c. of London. One cause of the dearth and high price of grain is, that brewers buy beer or ale that will last six months or more. They are to be required not to make provision for more than a month beforehand, and innholders and victuallers are not to brew their own beer, because, being inexperienced, they consume too much grain, but are to buy it from the brewers.

Feb. ? 119. Petition of Edw. Nicholas to the Prince of Wales, to be appointed his Receiver of the Green Wax, in case the present officer be discharged. Noted by Nicholas as his first petition.

Feb. ? 120. Petition of the Mayor and Citizens of York to the Council, for relief against the grievances done to them by the Mayor and Burgesses of Kingston-upon-Hull, by forestalling their markets in the purchase of corn, lead, herrings, coal, &c.

Feb. ? 121. Note of a grant to John Witton, on surrender of John Pottken, of the office of Clerk of the Pavilions and Tents, and of the revels and masques.

Feb. ? 122. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] of the cost of a supply of ordnance and ship carriages for the Navy. Total, 1,861*l.* 13*s.* 10*d.*

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March 1. Grant to John Buddle of the advowson of Wickenby, co. Lincoln. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

March 1. 1. Warrant for Lord Colville to transport four ambling nags into France, for his own use in his travels. Minute.

March 1. 2. Warrant for John Maxwell, servant of the Earl of Nithsdale, sent by him to Paris, to transport two ambling nags. Minute.

March 1. Strand. Saturday. 3. Earl of Kelly to Sec. Conway. Requests a warrant from the King for Mr. Stephens to transport a horse; in the absence of the Master of the Horse, no one else can grant it.

March 1. Banbury. 4. Mayor, &c. of Banbury, Oxfordshire, to the Council. Have suppressed a third part of the alehouses formerly allowed, and restrained the making of malt. The market is well supplied with grain; wheat, at 6*s.*; barley, 3*s.* 8*d.*; beans, 2*s.* 4*d.*; peas, 2*s.*; oats, 1*s.* 6*d.*; malt, 4*s.*

March 1. 5. Locke to Carleton. Has complained to the Chancellor of the Exchequer of the loss sustained by Carleton in paying interest for advance of his money. A proclamation has been issued to make the Spanish ryals current at 4*s.* 6*d.*, in hopes of bringing some of that coin to the Mint.

March 1. Brooke House. 6. Lord Brooke to Sec. Conway. Persuaded the inferior actors in the Sedgmoor business not to petition the King for reward, their work being unfinished; but, as the year should not be lost, suggests that 300 acres be divided among them, to encourage them to labour.

March 1. Newmarket. 7—9. Sec. Conway to Sir Robt. Naunton. Was ordered to write to the Lord Treasurer, in exact accordance with the particulars given by Naunton of his interview with Buckingham, the King adding, that Naunton should have the land he wishes for, rather than a pension; that he approves his modesty, and will attend to his interests, without solicitation of any. Three copies.

March 1. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 7.]

March 1. St. Martin's Lane. 10. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. By a letter from the Earl of Carlisle, it seems still uncertain whether the Prince has had a free passage. Marvels how the Dutchmen mentioned could get to Calais from England, the ports being stopped; and if they came from any other place, they could not know of the Prince's departure. Coke says a pinnace would be unfit to transport the jewels, but will prepare the Adventure, now at Portsmouth, to sail within a fortnight, with a merchant ship or two to attend her. Directions are required for those that are to go in the ship. The Spanish Ambassador wishes to explain the priest's case, before it is reported to the King.

March 1. 11. Notes of the above [in Conway's hand].

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March 1. London. 12. John Coke to the King. Has fulfilled his commands about the Earl of Oxford's charge, and the commission for piracies. Told the French Ambassador of the commission appointed to re-examine the piracies complained of; he was surprised that the offender was allowed to go free; told him that the consent of the Lord Admiral to a commission to review the proceedings of his own court showed his good will. Has chosen the ship Adventure to convey the Prince's servants; thinks they can sail better from Portsmouth than Plymouth; is preparing the Prince Royal to head the fleet that will have to go to fetch home the Prince; an Admiral for it must be appointed. Hopes to perform the Lord Admiral's deputed charge in the Navy. Mutilated.

March 1 ? 13. Estimate of the additional charge for equipping the ship Prince Royal, instead of the Vanguard.

March 1. Charing Cross. 14. Sir Robt. Carey and Sir Hen. Vane to the Duke of Lenox. The only ship provided for Spain will not carry more than fifty passengers, whereas the list of servants appointed by the King and Prince contains at least 140, allowing only six men to each lord and two to each knight. Mr. Coke advises hiring two or three ships in the river, to take those of the meaner sort, and join the King's ship at Portsmouth. Request directions.

March 1. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to John Coke. To give a weekly account of the proceedings on the commission for the French business, the Lord Admiral, &c. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 7.]

March 1. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To add Lords Grandison and Chichester to the Committee for treating with the Archduchess' Ambassador. The points to be insisted on are Frankenthal, Count Mansfeldt, and the Duke of Brunswick. Asks his opinion on the King of Bohemia's demands. Sends a bill signed for payment of mariners employed in transporting M. Soubise. [*Ibid., pp.* 7, 8.]

March 1. [Newmarket.] 15. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. The King wishes an answer about certain favours which he intends to bestow, especially that for Chris. Villiers.

March 1. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 7.]

March 2. Newmarket. 16. The Same to the Same. The King wishes him to go to the Tower with Lord Brooke, the Treasurer [of the Household], Chancellor of the Exchequer, Auditor Gofton, and Herriot the jeweller, and select some fine jewels fit for a woman, and others suitable to wear in hats, &c., to be sent to His Majesty for his choice as to which he will send abroad; they are not all for presents, but some to be lent to the Prince to wear, and restored on his return home.

March 2. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., pp.* 7, 8.]

March 2. St. Martin's Lane. 17. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. No other ship of the Navy can be prepared soon enough to go with the Adventure, so that if more than forty persons are to be sent, vessels must be hired. The Adventure will need a commander, Sir Hen. Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John, who now have her and the Garland, being accused of piracy

by the Spanish and French Ambassadors, the latter of whom desires their arrest, lest they should escape, and elude justice. No further tidings yet from the Prince. They should, by the rate of their posting, reach Spain yesterday, unless the King of France sent after them.

March 2. Whitehall. 18. Earl of Pembroke to Sec. Conway. Would not present for signature the reversion of a certain place belonging to his gift [as Lord Chamberlain], but the King was about to grant it to one Painter, a man whom he never saw; thinks, therefore, his Majesty cannot refuse it to himself.

March 2. Whitehall. 19. Visct. Mandeville to the Same. Will obey the King's order, and communicate what is done at the Board. As to the great business of Ireland, will begin with the Church, to which the King always gives the right hand, and then send other reports. The Lords are dining with the Bp. of London, who was offended at their dining with the Lord Mayor last Sunday. Certificates are returned of those who have remained in London at Christmas, but they are not many.

March 2. Westminster. Declaration of the King's pleasure to grant to Robt. Thomlinson and John Wells the manors of Halliden, co. Northumberland, and Havering, Hornchurch, and Navestock, co. Essex, annexed to the Crown, although no certificate of the consent of Council has been given, as prescribed in the indenture of annexation. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 56.]

March 2. Westminster. Grant to Rich. Graham, of the place of Customer of Carlisle and the other ports of Cumberland and Westmoreland, with permission to execute the office by deputy, on account of his attendance at Court, notwithstanding the statutes to the contrary. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 57.]

March 2. Westminster. Presentation of Giles King, Chaplain Extraordinary to the King, to the Rectory of Tempsford, Diocese of Lincoln. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 58.]

March 2. Westminster. Grant to Robt. Thomlinson, of Holborn, and John Wells, of the Middle Temple, of purchase in fee farm of the manors of Saltfleetby, co. Lincoln, Thorney and Broadwood, co. Hants, Halliden, co. Northumberland, and Bawtry, co. York, and of certain lands in Havering, Hornchurch, and Navestock, co. Essex, value 54*l.* 9*s.* 5½*d.*, being part of the grant to the Lord Admiral of lands, value 723*l.* 18*s.* 2½*d.*, made on consideration of his surrender of other lands of like value. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 59.]

March 3. Westminster. Grant to Sir Jas. Auchterlony of the profits of lands, goods, and chattels forfeited by the outlawry of Hum. Ayleworth, late of Milton, co. Oxford, until the arrears of an annuity of 80*l.* per ann., and other moneys due to Sir James by Ayleworth, be satisfied, and until security be obtained for future payment of the said annuity. [*Ibid., No.* 61.]

March 3. Westminster. Warrant to pay to Sir David Murray, 1,000*l.*, yet remaining unpaid of the sum of 3,000*l.* granted to him as the King's free gift. April 12, 1617. [*Ibid., No.* 62.]

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March 3. Westminster. Grant to David Ramsay, Page of the Bedchamber, of power to levy recognizances forfeited for non-appearance before Michaelmas 1618, of which nothing is yet paid, to the amount of 8,000*l.*; Ramsay to have one moiety, and the other to be divided between the King and the patentees of Green Wax; with provisoes of mitigation of the fines by the Exchequer, of revocation of the grant if found prejudicial, &c. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 63.]

March 3. Commission to the Earl of Middlesex and Sir Rich. Weston, for suppression of pirates. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

March 3. London. 20. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Sec. Conway. Being recommended by Sir Robt. Naunton, solicits his good offices with the King for a [Captain's place]. The Earl of Rutland has promised it, if he be chosen commander. Begs that the Lord Warden may not know that he seeks the appointment.

March 3? 21. [Sec. Conway to Visct. Andover (?)]. The King approves his desire to honour the Prince and Infanta by a journey to Spain, and wishes him to repair to Court to receive directions from His Majesty and the Admiral who is to go with the navy, to fetch them home. Praises his noble disposition, resembling his honourable parents.

March 3. Dover. Monday. 22. Visct. Andover to Sec. Conway. Thanks him for procuring his speedy despatch to follow the Prince. Lord Carlisle landed at Boulogne on Monday sen'night, and the French post left the same afternoon, so that the Prince, who only left Paris the Sunday before, will have no time to spare in passing through France, if the French king have any design to stay him.

March 3. Ipswich. 23. Bailiffs of Ipswich to the Council. Have endeavoured to relieve the poor by preventing the unnecessary use of grain, suppressing divers alehouses, and moderating the strength of beer.

March 3. Dover Castle. 24. Rich. Marsh to Nicholas. Sir Nich. Tufton will have a trial at the assizes about his manor of Dengie-marsh, in Lydd. After the Prince had passed, the ports were stopped, but the Earl of Carlisle sailed with a special pass, and took divers over with him, and then Mr. Fowler allowed others to pass, before the restraint was taken off. Mr. Lieutenant [Sir Hen. Mainwaring], who came to Gravesend with the Archduchess' Ambassador, had a street brawl with Mr. Hemsley. Capt. Ward, of Dover, is dead, and had a solemn funeral.

March 3. Newmarket. 25. Sec. Conway to the Lord President [of the Council]. The King thanks him for his information about Scotland, and his intention of communicating the results of their deliberations on Irish affairs, piecemeal as they occur.

March 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 7.]

March 3. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To give orders for apprehension of a son of Barnevelt, at the instance of Sir Noel Caron. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

March 3. Newmarket. The Same to the Earl Marshal. Recommends a petition of Lady Vere about the glass business. [*Ibid.*]

March 3. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To prepare letters for France, on behalf of Lord Colville. [*Ibid.*]

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March 3. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To write to Spain for a list of those who favour the match, that the gratuities may be proportioned accordingly. To set on foot the commission for examining grievances, and to hasten the ships that are to carry the jewels. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 7.]

March 3. Newmarket. 26. The Same to Lord Brooke. The Prince's journey perplexes everybody, suggests more doubts and inquiries than the King foresaw, and necessitates a multitude of despatches, trying to a new Secretary. Directions about the jewels.

March 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 7.]

March 3. Newmarket. 27. Duke of Lenox and Sec. Conway to Lord Carey, Chamberlain, and Sir Hen. Vane, Cofferer of the Prince's Household. As the King's ship will only accommodate forty passengers, Mr. Coke is to be advised with as to whether the meaner servants and baggage had better be sent in the merchant ships which will go with the King's ship, or in a bark hired on purpose. The number of the Prince's suite is to be retrenched to those especially allowed or necessary, and a list of them and their followers sent to His Majesty; also a note of such jewels of the Prince as are to be sent to him.

March 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 8.]

March 3. Newmarket. 28. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The French Ambassador is to be pacified about the two captains till Mr. Coke's answer arrives. The King improves, and is anxious to hear from Lord Carlisle or the Ambassador about "the men and the journey." Returns certain letters specified, and sends others for delivery.

March 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 8.]

March 3. Newmarket. 29. The Same to John Coke. The King wishes for his report on the secret inquiry about the guilt of the two captains. The Adventure and the attendant merchant ships are to be ready by the time appointed. His Majesty will himself nominate the captains in the great fleet.

March 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 8.]

March 4. Newmarket. 30. The Same to ————. A difficulty arises about the despatch of extraordinary posts. The county of Suffolk claims exemption from finding horses, having compounded for freedom from all such things. Thinks the exemption extends to ordinary removals, &c., but not to extraordinary claims, or else great expeditions would be impossible. The King requires speedy information on the subject.

March 4. 31. Commissioners of the Navy to Sec. Conway. Are preparing, as ordered, eight ships and two pinnaces for Spain, and find that the Prince Royal, which is also asked for by the Prince and Admiral, can be made ready to go with the rest. Have chosen the Adventure, now at Portsmouth, for the Prince's servants, and will have it ready by March 14, but it will only take forty, and they

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must provide their own fresh victuals, as usual. Will do their best in the commission for the examination of piracies, especially that complained of by the French Ambassador.

March 4. London. 32. John Coke to Sec. Conway. No account could earlier be given about piracies, because the Commission was not despatched, but have now sent for depositions and witnesses. Sir Hen. Mervin has gone to Newmarket to justify himself, and Sir Wm. St. John wished to go; thinks them alike guilty, one as Admiral, and the other as Vice-Admiral, both in dividing the sugar prize, and neglecting orders to stay the French ship taken by the Rochellers. Asks directions whether St. John is to go to sea, or stay to be examined. Sir Rich. Bingley might take his place, if Sir Fras. Steward be reserved to command a larger ship, and letters must be written accordingly, &c.

[March 4.] 33, 34. Abstracts of the two preceding letters.

March 4. St. Martin's Lane. 35. Sec. Calvert to the Same. Has written into Spain for the names of the great ministers favourable to the match. Sends for signature letters to the Princes of Germany, written at the suit of the Elector Palatine. The Spanish Ambassador requests favours promised him by the King for Fisher the Jesuit and for Buck the priest, who has 1,500*l.* left to him.

[March 4.] 36. Notes of the above letter [drawn up by Sec. Conway for the King]. Much damaged.

March 4. Gloucester. 37. Mayor, &c. of Gloucester to the Council. Have suppressed needless alehouses, and reduced the price of beer to 8*s.* a barrel.

March 4. 38. Warrant for Sir —— Rosskirk to transport to Holland a fair pacing horse, for his own use.

March 5. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To inquire from the Ambassadors how Count d'Ognate conducted himself at the diet, to proceed in the treaty for depositing Frankenthal, and to acquaint the Earl of Bristol with proceedings in England. The King will come near London if needful. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 9.]

March 5. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. Directions about the treaty, Frankenthal, Brunswick, and Mansfeldt. The King is to be informed of any cause of hindrance. Letters sent for signature are to be endorsed with their direction. [*Ibid.*]

March 5. St. Martin's Lane. 39. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends a letter from Sir Edw. Herbert to the King, and begs to know what news there is of the Prince's journey. Lord Carlisle's post brought to Paris the tidings of his being in France late on the Tuesday.

March 5. 40. Locke to Carleton. Sir Robt. Carr has set out to join the Prince, and Lord Andover went a few days ago. Lord Carew is

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ordered to furnish two of the King's ships, and then ten other ships and two pinnaces, for Spain.

March 5. London. 41. John Coke to Sec. Conway. Sir Hen. Mervin, instead of going to Newmarket, went to Portsmouth, and, as there is some fear of his attempting an escape, a warrant was requested to recall him; but Sec. Calvert thought that would rather warn him to escape. Particulars of evidence taken in the Admiralty Court, inculpating him. The Prince's officers promise, on payment of 100*l.*, to transport all those who cannot go in the King's ship, which will be a good bargain.

March 5. 42. Patent creating Sir Hen. Rich, Captain of the King's Guard, Baron Kensington of Kensington, on account of his illustrious descent, good qualities, and long services. Latin.

March. Sign manual of the above, dated March 2. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 60.]

March 5. Westminster. Grant to Thos. Visct. Andover, Lieutenant of Braydon Forest, co. Wilts., of the fine of 100*l.* set upon Sir Hen. Moody for unlawful hunting in the said forest, that he may satisfy the keepers for the expense of prosecution, and employ the rest of the money for repair of the lodges there. [*Ibid., No.* 64.]

March 6. 43. Geo. Verney to Sec. Conway. His master, Sir Robt. Naunton, thanks Conway for his kind letter, and trusts his business wholly to the King's favour and his mediation; but hearing that the Lord Treasurer can do nothing without a warrant signed by the King, sends a blank draft thereof. *Incloses,*

43. 1. *Warrant to the Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, for ordering a grant to Sir Robt. Naunton of Crown lands in fee farm, value ——— per ann., to be chosen by himself, with proviso that he do not meddle with lands reserved for Prince Charles, or intended to be granted to Buckingham, or with such as are near any of the King's residences.*

March 6. Brooke House. 44. Lord Brooke to Sec. Conway. To-morrow afternoon is the time appointed for taking out the jewels requested by the King to be sent to him. Is unworthy of His Majesty's care for his age and ill health, showed in his excusing his personal attendance. Has failed at no meeting of Council since the Prince left. The commission for trade, being of so great weight, proceeds slowly; that for fees seems dead.

March 6. Newmarket. 45. Sec. Conway to John Coke. The King praises his diligence and that of the other Navy Commissioners; agrees in his opinion about Sir Fras. Steward, and wishes to know how the guilt [of the captains] appears about the division of the sugars, &c. The Prince's officers are to find fresh victuals for his suite.

March 6. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 9.]

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March 6. Charing Cross. 46. Lord Carey and Sir Hen. Vane to Sec. Conway. The merchant ships that go with the King's ship cannot take the company, because they do not stay at the landing place; the best way would be to hire two ships in the Thames, which can be had for 200 marks. Cannot retrench from the list of attendants appointed by the Prince or the King, but will license no others. Send a note of the Prince's best jewels, and will deliver those chosen by His Majesty to Lord Compton. *Inclose,*

46. I. *List of the household officers and servants appointed by the Prince to follow him to Spain.*

46. II. *Names of such servants as were added to the list by the King, including Archy the Fool. With note, that the Spanish Ambassador has ordered carriages and all necessaries to be provided for the Prince's servants.*

46. III. *List of the Prince's jewels, with note of a letter from the King to Lord [Carey of] Leppington, dated March 7, ordering him to deliver those marked W. to Lord Compton, to be carried over to the Prince.*

March 6. 47. Lord Carey to Sec. Conway. Solicits, in behalf of his kinsman Chas. Trevor, son of Sir John Trevor, the first Page the Prince ever had, that he may be allowed to go over to Spain, he being much cast down by the disgrace of his omission.

March 6. Westminster. 48. The King to the Mayor, &c. of Exeter. To suffer the Bp. of Exeter to make a door through the city wall into the fields, that he may have the more easy passage abroad for his health, on condition of his making it up again in case of urgent public necessity.

March 6. 49. Note of mourning cloaks given to [the Archbp. of Canterbury and his servants] at the Earl of Exeter's funeral.

March 6. Westminster. Warrant to pay to John Scandaver 60*l.*, for conveying sundry red deer from Theobalds Park to Newhall Park, co. Essex. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 65.]

March 6. St. Martin's Lane. 50. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. News has arrived of the translation of the Electoral dignity to the Duke of Bavaria, which, though but for life, is such an affront to the King that they [the Commissioners for the Treaty] know not how to proceed, and request His Majesty to remove nearer town.

March 6. Polesworth. 51. Sir Hen. Goodere to the Same. The protection has given him time to seek for a purchaser of his lands; would fain prevent the sale of the poor remainder of his property, by obtaining a proportion of His Majesty's promised bounty, viz., 2,000*l.* or 3,000*l.*, yet, having always employed the Lord Admiral as mediator, hesitates to revive any suit till his return. Asks advice.

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March 6. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To request the Ambassadors to refer the points in hesitation to the King's decision, and to conclude the rest. Anything obscure is to be reported, that it may be cleared up. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 9.]

March 7. Newmarket. The Same to the Navy Commissioners. To be careful in examining into and reporting on the French business. Directions for preparing the Adventure. [*Ibid.*]

March 7. Newmarket. The Same to John Coke. On the forms of the letters to be sent to Sir Wm. St. John, to discharge him from his post as Captain of the Adventure, and to remit the ship to some other. [*Ibid.*]

March 7. Newmarket. The Same to Sir Hen. Vane. On the preparation of the Adventure; the number of men to go in her, &c.; they are to provide their own fresh victuals. [*Ibid.*]

March 7. Newmarket. The Same to Calvert, on behalf of Lady Edmondes. [*Ibid.*]

March 7. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Chief Justice Hobart. To recommend John Verney to the Mayor and Aldermen of Coventry, for the place of Steward of the City. [*Ibid., p.* 10.]

March 7. Newmarket. The Same to the Mayor and Aldermen of Coventry. To the same effect. [*Ibid.*]

March 7. Whitehall. 52. The Earl of Middlesex to Sec. Conway. The grant to Chris. Villiers must be a work of time, because, being from improved lands, it must be supplied from those now disforesting. Will proceed with that to the Earl of Carlisle, but distributes it into parts, so that it may make less noise in the world. Thinks the knighthood of the Earl's son might proceed at once, if done privately, and not drawn into a precedent. The first proposal for Sir Robt. Naunton was a pension of 1,000*l.*, which is worth by purchase 5,000*l.*; the second is for 500*l.* a year improved lands, which would be worth 7,500*l.*; the third is for 500*l.* a year on lands on the old rents, which is worth 20,000*l.* Leaves the decision thereon to the King. Much has been done about settling the Irish revenues; will wait on His Majesty with papers thereon requiring his signature.

March 7. Loughton. 53. Lady Mary Wroth to the Same. Begs his furtherance in obtaining her a protection. Intends fully to satisfy all men.

March 7. St. Martin's Lane. 54. Sec. Calvert to the Same. The King hopes from Sir Edw. Herbert's letter, that the Prince will pass safely through France. Lady Mary Wroth is recommended by the Council for a year's protection for herself and sureties. Requests clearer directions for the letters to Count Mansfeldt and the Duke of Brunswick, who are required to lay down their arms as a condition of the truce. Will alter the letters for the Princes of Germany, if the change of affairs is thought to require it.

March 7. Isleham. 55. Sir Edw. Peyton to the Earl of Holderness. Desires a warrant to take 100 partridges yearly, in the Isle of Ely, Marshland, Holland, and the woody part of Norfolk, where gentlemen

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cannot hawk, on condition of planting them at his own charge in the champaign country about Isleham.

March 7. Newmarket. 56, 57. Warrant for Sir Edw. Peyton to take the above-named partridges, to be transferred to the country about Isleham and Newmarket. Two copies.

March 7. Warrant to pay 200 marks for the victualling of two ships to transport the Prince's servants. [*Dom. Corresp., March* 1.]

March 7. Grant, in reversion, to John Cary of the Keepership of Marybone Park, Middlesex, for life. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

March ? 58. Petition of the Dutch Chandlers to the Commissioners [for Aliens], for relief from the duty of 1*d.* per dozen on candles sold in wholesale, and from the prohibition to sell by retail. *Annexed is,*

58. I. *Arguments by the Dutch Chandlers in favour of their petition.*

March ? 59. Petition of Zachariah Ruyting, candle maker of London, to Sir Robt. Heath, to commiserate his poor estate, being born in England of Dutch parents, and married to an English widow, with many small children. Indorsed are the names of London tallow-chandlers.

[March 7.] 60. [Sir Robt. Heath to Lord ——.] A petition presented to Council by the French and Dutch congregations, complaining of the tax required from strangers as an insupportable burden, was well received; is ordered to give an account of the proceedings of the commission; thinks them just, reasonable, and advantageous to the subject, but fears they will be received with prejudice. Wishes the affair may be postponed till the return of Buckingham, who has taken great pains about it, understands it well, and has an interest in it. Begs an order from the King to Council to allow the matter to lie over for his own further hearing. Has thought it well not to mention Buckingham's name in the business, in order to avoid envy.

March 7. Westminster. Grant to John Finch, Counsellor-at-law, and his sureties, of protection for one year from arrest for debts which were his father's, but which, from affection, he undertakes to pay. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 66.]

March 8. Commission to Lord Cranfield and Sir Rich. Weston, for reformation of abuses in making starch. [*Grant Bk., p.* 351.]

March 8. Commission to Visct. Mandeville, Marquis Hamilton, Earl Arundel [and others], to examine and find out the true fees in every court. [*Ibid., p.* 351.]

March 8. St. Martin's Lane. 61. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Requests instructions what to write in the King's letters to the Prince Palatine concerning the translation of the Electorate, as the Prince and his Consort will expect some comfort on that affair.

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March 8. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the President of the Council, touching a complaint made to Council by certain strangers. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 10.]

March 8. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Carey, Chamberlain to the Prince. Concerning Mr. Trevor's journey into Spain. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To despatch two messengers to France, to know if the ports on that side be shut, and what they can hear of the Prince. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. Explains a former letter concerning the treaty. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Brooke. To speak with Mr. Fotherley about Sedgmoor, and to hasten away the jewels. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. Newmarket. The Same to John Coke. On the stay and apprehension of Sir Hen. Mervin. The Lord Treasurer is to issue a warrant for 200 marks, for the two barks to transport the Prince's servants. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. Concerning the Earl of Carlisle, Lord Denney, Sir Robt. Naunton, and Mr. Villiers. His lordship is to come to Court. The King is not disposed to remove. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The King "will not abandon his son-in-law in recovering the Palatinate, but no ruffling words to be used to the Ambassadors, till there come newes out of Spaine." He is to give an account of the proceedings about Frankenthal, and to assist in securing Sir Hen. Mervin. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. Newmarket. Ths Same to the Same. To write to Sir D. Carleton the King's constant resolution about the Palatinate, but his son-in law must have patience, and refer the working of affairs to His Majesty. [*Ibid.*]

March 8. St. Martin's Lane. 62. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends information from the Earl of Carlisle of the quiet passage of the Prince through the French territory, there being no intention to interrupt his journey.

March 8. [Newmarket.] 63. Sec. Conway to the Lord Chamberlain. To make timely preparations for the reception of the Prince and Infanta of Spain, and to prepare houses to receive them, their trains, and the grandees who will attend them. Those thought of are St. James's, Somerset House, and Durham House. Count Gondomar is likely to come as Ambassador Lieger, and a house will be needed for him. The furniture is also to be cared for.

March 8. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 10.]

March 8. London. 64. Chamberlain to Carleton. Details rumours of the Prince's journey, of his being stayed, of his reception on the frontiers of Spain, &c. All agree that the French King knew of his passage, and had time to have detained him, had he chosen. Members of his suite go over daily to join him. The clergy are ordered to pray for his

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prosperous journey and safe return, but one man prayed God to be merciful to him, now that he was going to the house of Rimmon. The Spanish and Flemish Ambassadors were gratified with their reception at Cambridge, but declined the play, on being told that the argument was chiefly about a Jesuit and a Puritan. The Earl of Suffolk, as Chancellor, attended them, and afterwards entertained them at Audley End; they had an audience at Newmarket. Particulars of the Earl of Exeter's funeral at Westminster Abbey; Dr. Jos. Hall preached the sermon, the Archbp. of Canterbury being ill. Rumour that Lord Roos is still alive. Lord St. Albans has returned to his old lodgings at Gray's Inn. Sir Edw. Coke's brain said to be cracked with his own debts of 10,000*l.*, and his children's of 26,000*l.*

March 8. Newmarket. 65. The King to the Lord Treasurer. Requests him to order a grant to Sir John Wood of the remainder of a debt due to His Majesty from Gabriel Reed and others, installed at 130*l.* a year, if, on examination, it proves to be what is set down in his petition.

March 8. Savoy. 66. Geo. Lord Carew to Sec. Calvert. Has consulted with Lord Hervey, Sir Wm. Monson, and certain merchants, on the project for building fishing busses. The merchants think it the most profitable work that could be devised for the public, but despair of raising the money necessary. Proposed to them building for the present only six busses and four doggers, vessels necessary to attend them, which would only cost 10,000*l.*, and be repaid by the first year's fishing. They wish it to be proposed to the Lord Mayor and Court of Aldermen.

March 8. 67. Sir John Lambe to certain Clergy who are behind with their benevolence. Requires them to meet him at the Unicorn and Star, in Leicester, on the 20th, to hear what is written concerning them by the Lord Bishop. Indorsed with a list of twenty-three clergymen thus summoned, for 19—22 March.

March 8. Waltham Cross. 68. John Cooke, Post at Waltham, to Sec. Conway. He and his fellow posts are unable to provide horses for the packets coming so thick for His Majesty's service, unless they have help from the country about, the warrant for which has been wilfully resisted by the High Constable dwelling near.

March 8. Northampton. 69. Mayor, &c. of Northampton to the Council. Have suppressed eighteen needless alehouses, and taken pains, by express orders, and fining offenders, to moderate the strength of beer.

March 8. Westminster. Presentation of Hen. Ancketill to the rectory of Mells, with the chapel of Leigh, diocese of Bath and Wells. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 67.]

March 8. Westminster. Warrant to pay 656*l.* 10*s.* to Sir Wm. Russell, Treasurer, and 492*l.* to Sir Allan Apsley and Sir Sampson Darell, Victuallers of the Navy, for extraordinary mariners in the Garland and Adven-

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ture, which transported Mons. Soubise to Rochelle, &c.; and for the charge of sundry sick men left ashore at Malaga, in the expedition against pirates. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 68.]

March 8. Westminster. Warrant for advance of 4,832*l.* 1*s.* 8*d.* to Sir Wm. Russell, and 1,166*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to Apsley and Darell, for the extra charge of fitting out the Prince Royal instead of the Vanguard, and for sundry expenses of the other ships and pinnaces to be sent to the coast of Spain. [*Ibid., No.* 69.]

March 8. Westminster. Grant to And. Pitcairn, Groom of the Bedchamber, of annuity of 200*l.*, on surrender of annuities to a similar amount granted to Wm. Snelling, Fishmonger of London, and Elizabeth, his wife. [*Ibid., No.* 70.]

March 8. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Birkett, in reversion after And. Bright, of the office of Distiller of the King's sweet herbs and waters, and of the Keepership of His Majesty's library at Westminster, on surrender of a previous reversion by Wm. Herbert. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 71.]

March 8. Westminster. Warrant to pay 1,500*l.*, in full of 2,000*l.* allowed to Jas. Earl of Carlisle, appointed to go on important affairs to the French King, and elsewhere. [*Ibid., No.* 72.]

March 8. Westminster. Grant to the Earl of Holderness of an annuity of 1,000*l.*, for good and acceptable service. [*Ibid., No.* 73.]

March 9. Brussels. 70. John Maitland to the King. Begs that for the sake of his long and great sufferings in the service of the "blessed queen, His Majesty's mother," he may not be a loser in credit or state, as the example would discourage others.

March 9. [Newmarket.] 71. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Sir Hum. Stiles, who brought the good news from France, is well recommended by Mons. Soubise and the Earl of Carlisle, and has safely delivered his letters. The King charges Calvert to appoint his remuneration.

March 9. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 11.]

March 9. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. The King is pleased with the news from France. Sir Edw. Herbert's locked-up secrets. Lady Wroth's business. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 11.]

March 9. Newmarket. 72. The Same to the Solicitor General. Sends him a copy of his letter to the Lord President, on the complaints made to Council by certain strangers.

March 9. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 11.]

March 9. London. 73. John Coke to Sec. Conway. Four Frenchmen have deposed that the taking of the ship Croissant, of Calais, by two Rochelle men-of-war, was with the connivance and in the sight of Sir Hen.

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Mervin, who had money given him, and piloted the prize into Plymouth. Five Englishmen say it was not done in his sight, and that he received no money, only a present of wine and fruit, &c. He took no course to fulfil the Council's order of staying the prize. He and Sir Wm. St. John have also taken and sold some sugars, &c. Thinks that though they cannot legally be restrained, they should be suspended from office till these matters are cleared up.

March 9. Whitehall. 74. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The Commissioners [for the Treaty] think that the Ambassadors should be privately sounded before the propositions are made concerning Frankenthal, lest the King be dishonoured by a refusal. Mr. Treasurer will be at Court to-morrow with the jewels, and desires to be lodged somewhere near, and not in an inn.

March 10. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. On the Frankenthal treaty. Advice to be taken as to what is to be done in the strait wherewith the Emperor has entangled the business. The Ambassadors' opinions to be sounded beforehand. Returns many papers specified. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 11.]

March 9. Canon Row. 75. Visct. Grandison to Sec. Conway. Will attend the Lord Keeper and Lord President, as joint referees with himself on the business between the Earls of Ormond and Desmond. Is joined with others to confer with the Spanish and Archduchess's Ambassadors about Frankenthal, a most important affair considering the affront given by translation of the Electorate.

March 10. Newmarket. 76. Instructions by the King to the two Chaplains of the Prince, as to the reverential performance of divine service whilst in Spain. They are to preach Christ crucified and the doctrines of the English Church, but not to indulge in polemical preaching or controversy. They may take with them prayer books, articles of religion, and the King's works.

March 10. 77. Copy of the above. Imperfect.

March 10. St. Martin's Lane. 78. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Has sent a warrant for Sir Hen. Mervin's person, and for seizure of the sugars and of the bark in which he intended to transport them; would have ordered his arrest, but the King waited an answer from Mr. Coke.

March 10. London. 79. John Coke to the Same. Has obtained from Sec. Calvert a warrant to secure Sir Hen. Mervin and bring him to London and to seize the ordnance, sugars, and goods taken by him, and the ship brought in by Sir Wm. St. John, who is to stay in town till the King's pleasure is known.

March 10. Oxford. 80. Mayor, &c. of Oxford to the Council. Have suppressed many useless alehouses, kept by persons who have other means of gaining a livelihood, and will look after those allowed to remain.

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March 10. Westminster. Commission to the Recorder of London, and to the Surveyors and Farmers of the Customs, to grant licences to women, children, and persons under twenty-one years of age to go beyond sea, many of the former Commissioners of passage being dead, or not resident at the Custom House. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 74.]

March 10. Westminster. Commission to the Same, to license passengers, other than women and children, at the port of London, to go into foreign parts. [*Ibid., No.* 75.]

March 10. Pass for Marin de Boisloré to repair to France, on the King's service. [*Docquet.*]

March 10. Open warrant, under Sign Manual, authorizing M. de Boisloré, above named, to carry over four horses with him. [*Docquet.*]

March 10. Letters of safe conduct for M. de Boisloré. French. [*Docquet.*]

March 10. Madrid. 81. Endymion Porter to his Wife. The Prince and Buckingham are most handsomely received. The King, Queen, and Infanta of Spain drove out yesterday, when the Prince in another coach saw his mistress, and was much smitten with her beauty; the people thronged so much to see him that the King's guards were obliged to drive them away. His Majesty met the Prince, in the fields near the town, at 11 P.M. yesterday, when they discoursed in the coach more than an hour.

March 11. Newmarket. 82. [Sec. Conway] to the Marchioness of Buckingham. Desires to know if she has anything to send into Spain, as Mr. Killigrew is going. Congratulates her on the tidings of her lord's safe passage through France. The King continues to make gracious mention of her Lord, his most worthy favourite.

March 11. Newmarket. 83. Warrant to Sir Thos. Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household, for delivery of certain jewels specified, taken out of the Jewel House in the Tower, to Lord Compton, to convey them to the Prince in Spain.

March 11. Newmarket. 84. Warrant to the Same, to present, as His Majesty's gift, to the Duchess of Lenox, an old jewel in form of the letter H, set with seven diamonds and three pearls pendant, lately taken out of the Jewel House in the Tower.

March 11. Westminster. Warrant to Mary, widow of Sir Robt. Wroth, of protection for herself and her sureties for a year, on account of her birth and quality, and her intention to satisfy his creditors. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 76.]

March 11. Warrant to Sir Chas. Grose, to preserve the game in the parts adjoining his house at Crostwick, co. Norfolk, to seize all dogs, nets, &c., used for its destruction within eight miles of his house, and to signify the names of offenders to the King or Council. [*Docquet.*]

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March 11. St. Martin's Lane. 85. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Forwards two letters, and open placarts for the deputies of Rochelle, ordered by Lord Carlisle. Has given Sir Hum. Stiles 30*l.*, being 20*l.* more than usually allowed for a journey from Paris, on account of the good news he brought, &c.

March 11. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Lord Denney. On his own business and that of the Earl of Carlisle. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 12.]

March 11. 86. Lord Denney to Sec. Conway. Acknowledges the receipt of his letter informing him of His Majesty's gracious respect towards him, &c.

March 11. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Lord Carey. The jewels of the Prince intended for Spain are to be sent to the King, with a list of the persons who are going. Mr. Killigrew is to go before, to provide for their passage from the seaside. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 12.]

March 11. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To prepare a letter from the King to M. de Preaux, thanking him for his courtesies to the Prince in Paris, and sending him two horses, according to the Prince's promise. [*Ibid.*]

March 11. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. On Mr. Killigrew's employment to Spain. To send a list of the Prince's servants, and inquire about his promise to M. de Preaux. [*Ibid.*]

March 12. Newmarket. The Same to Lady Wroth. On behalf of Ellis Rothwell. [*Ibid.*]

March 12. St. Martin's Lane. 87. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Mons. Pawell requests that His Majesty may be reminded of the necessities of the Prince Elector, his wife's allowance not sufficing for both. The list of attendants and jewels shall be sent. Is called upon by the Spanish Ambassador for the King's order touching the priests, Buck and Fisher, &c.

March 12. London. 88. John Coke to the Same. Several prizes taken about Weymouth, and one brought to Ilfracombe. Lucas, a Dutch captain, whose crew are chiefly English, brought a prize into Torbay, but it was recovered from him; he has since taken another near Plymouth, laden with corn, which he says was bound for Spain, carried her to Helford, Cornwall, and sold the corn, which of right belongs to the Lord Admiral, the company being English, serving foreigners contrary to proclamation, the vessel seized on the English coast, and the corn sold without paying custom; yet John Reskinner, Justice of the Peace, and others, threatened the King's officer who claimed it, and aided Lucas to revictual his ship. Suggests that James Bagg, Vice Admiral of Cornwall, seize the corn, on the Lord Admiral's behalf, and bind over those who aided Lucas to appear in the Admiralty Court.

March 12. Wycombe. 89. Mayor and Recorder of Wycombe, co. Bucks, to the Council. Have reduced the alehouses in the town from twenty-one to nine. Wm. Heather, keeper of a disorderly alehouse which was sup-

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pressed, has set it up again, pleading a licence from Sir Fras. Goodwin, Justice of the Peace. Request leave to punish him according to law, as his example would prove injurious.

March 12. 90. Oration addressed to the King on his departure from Cambridge. The University is proud if its jests have softened one thorn in the Royal Crown. Laud His Majesty's erudition, which would have made him King in the literary world had he not been so in the State. Thank him for his care of their academy, and judicious instructions as to their studies, &c. Latin.

March 12. Westminster. Grant to John ap Edward, of Bersham, co. Denbigh, of pardon for manslaughter, committed on sudden and great provocation, for which he is very penitent. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 77.]

March 13. Newmarket. 91. Warrant for Mons. de Boisloré to transport an ambling horse and gelding, sent by His Majesty to M. De Preaux, formerly Sub-Governor of the French King.

March 13. Docquet of the above. [*Docquet, March* 14.]

March 13. Newmarket. Warrant for Sir Thos. Meautys to send a proportion of arms out of the Netherlands into England. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 12.]

March 13. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Lord Treasurer. To hasten away the jewels. [*Ibid.*]

March 13. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Addresses to him the Commissary from Count Mansfeldt, who is to stay in London till he has his despatch. [*Ibid.*]

March 13. College of Arms. 92. Certificate by the Officers-at-Arms, that Theophilus, now Earl of Lincoln, was made a Knight of the Bath, at the creation of Charles Prince of Wales.

March 13. London. 93. Sir Thos. Edmondes to Sec. Conway. Particulars of the jewels, including the large square diamond, called the mirror of France, which are taken out of the Tower, to be prepared and sent to Spain; the records of those that remain are made up. Requests a perfect warrant for his own discharge. The notorious Irish thief and murderer, Barton, is dead in Newgate.

March 13. 94. Sir Robt. Heath to Sir Hum. Handford, Sheriff of London. Assures him of the groundlessness of the suspicion that the commission touching strangers will undermine the City's liberties. The King will grant any security that may be devised thereon. Hopes their idle fears will not prevent their accepting the benefit of it.

March 13? 95. Edw. Lord Denney to Sec. Conway. Thanks for His Majesty's royal favour. Is grateful for his son, Lord Carlisle's, prosecution of the business, &c., to whom and to Sec. Conway he commits its accomplishment. [*See Conway to Lord Denney, March* 11.]

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March 14. Newmarket. 96. The King to Sir Thos. Edmondes, Treasurer of the Household. Warrant for delivery to Lord Compton of certain jewels specified, as soon as they are ready to be carried by him into Spain to the Prince.

March 14. 97. Copy of the list of jewels contained in the above warrant.

March 14. Warrant to Lord Carey, Sir Jas. Fullerton, and Sir Hen. Vane, for delivery to Lord Compton, of certain jewels to be carried by him to the Prince in Spain. [*Docquet.*]

March 14. St. Martin's Lane. 98. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends a letter to be delivered to His Majesty's hands. *Incloses,*

98. 1. *The Same to the King. Forwards to him a letter decyphered from the Earl of Bristol, according to his orders that despatches from Spain be addressed to himself. St. Martin's Lane, March* 14.

March 14. Newmarket. 99. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The King thinks it improper to answer Count Mansfeldt's demand of 10,000 or 12,000 men, and 20,000*l.* a month, now that the Prince is perhaps in Spain; but on his return, or on any decisive news from him, the Count shall have his reply.

March 14. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 13.]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to Sir Hen. Mervin. To leave his ship, the Garland, in charge of her officers, and go to London to answer complaints against himself. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 12.]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to Sir Wm. St. John, Captain of the Adventure. To the same purport as the preceding. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to Sir Rich. Bingley. To take charge of the Adventure, as Captain, in the voyage she is about to make to Spain. [*Ibid.*]

March [14?] Newmarket. The Same to the Navy Commissioners. Forwards to them the three preceding letters, which they are either to despatch or retain as there may be cause, and to send word what course is to be taken. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Lord Carey. Concerning —— Burton, who wishes to go to Spain with the Prince's servants. The list is not to be exceeded. The Prince's chapel plate is to be taken. Sends a warrant signed, for delivery of twenty-one buttons to Lord Compton. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 12.]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to John Coke. The King is displeased on being informed that the Prince Royal cannot be got ready within the time appointed. [*Ibid., p.* 13.]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. To advise with the Attorney General about the inland Acts concerning corn. To obtain warrants from Calvert to fetch up offenders in piracy. [*Ibid., p.* 12.]

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March 14. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To give allowance to Mons. Boisloré, sent with two horses to France to M. De Preaux. Killigrew's papers are to be hastened. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 12.]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. To assist in summoning pirate offenders, and to communicate to the Ambassadors a Latin oration and epigram enclosed, made at Cambridge. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. Killigrew's journey to Spain. The Spanish Ambassador is to have a list of the persons and carriages that are to go, that he may give order for their reception in Spain, and conveyance to Court. A passport is to be requested for Mr. Killigrew. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. To prepare for the King's signature the Act touching the deposition of Frankenthal. [*Ibid., p.* 14.]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to the Same Tidings from the Spanish Ambassador, of the Prince's arrival. The business of Frankenthal to be hastened. If the Ambassadors must come to Court, timely notice is to be given. Directions concerning the two priests. Sends the Earl of Bristol's letter decyphered. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to Sir Thos. Meautys. On his warrant for sending arms from the Low Countries to England. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to the Treasurer [of the Household]. Concerning jewels; a chain to be changed. The jewels not to be sent to Court, but only a note of them. No answer yet to the Duke of Bouillon's letter. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To supply money for the preparation of the Prince Royal, and order it and the rest of the fleet to be ready by the end of April. [*Ibid.*]

March 14. Warrant for a grant to Chris. Villiers and his heirs, in fee farm, of the forest of Chippenham, alias Pewsham, and Blackmore, alias Melksham, co. Wilts, on rent of 20 marks, with reservation of Bowewood or Pewsham New Park. [*Docquet.*]

March 14. 100. Locke to Carleton. The Lord Keeper is obliged by his care of Ensign Williams. The Earls of Denbigh and Arran have obtained their pass to go to the Prince. Lord Carlisle made a short stay in France, and followed the Prince to Spain. The Ambassadors are pleased with their entertainment at Cambridge. *Incloses,*

100. I. *Account of the reception and entertainment at Cambridge University of the Ambassadors of Spain and Flanders, Feb.* 25—28, *when the degree of Doctor was conferred upon them.*

[March.] 101. Copy of the above account.

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March 15. St. Martin's Lane. 102. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Particulars of the despatches for Spain. Will acquaint the Ambassadors with the oration and epigram, and the Spanish Ambassador with the list of the Prince's servants to be sent. Sends Coppinger's petition. Sir Hen. Mervin is in a messenger's care. Asks directions for his restraint, and that of Sir Wm. St. John. The French King's Ambassador has given assurances how glad his master would have been to show courtesies to the Prince in his passage through France, had he known of it. Thinks acknowledgment should be made thereof.

March 15. London. 103. Sir Thos. Edmondes to the Same. The directions about the jewels have been observed. Mr. Herriot promises that the work shall be finished on Monday. Wishes the King to keep a copy of the exact inventory of them, as in the warrant. Asks if His Majesty desires to see them when finished.

March ? 104. Petition of David Ramsay, Thos. Fletcher, and others, to the King, for renewal of their patent for their invention of dyeing cloth without cochineal, and for a grant to Ramsay of the sealing of all dyed cloths, &c., to prevent abuses in dyeing.

March 15. 105. David Ramsay to Sec. Conway. Requests the King's signature for a patent of a new invention; reminds him of the business concerning a trumpeter.

March 15. 106. Lord Carey to the Same. Remonstrates against the order that Mr. Burton, the Prince's Clerk of the Closet, should not go to Spain. He was Prince Henry's sole officer of the closet seven years, and has served the present Prince without reproach, ever since his brother's death. Thinks it unfitting that the chaplains should have the books, plate, and linen for the chapel to attend to; it is true he holds a benefice in London.

March 15. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Lord President. Returns the papers about Ireland, and requests him to proceed to the accomplishment of that work. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 14.]

March 15. Newmarket. The Same to the Earl Marshal. On behalf of Serjeant Pictoe, and the execution of the new directions for musters. [*Ibid.*]

March 16. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Lords Carey and Vaughan. Sir W. Withipole and Mr. Palmer remain at home. The King wishes more would remain. None are to go whose names are not in the list, especially no more divines. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 14,]

March 16. Newmarket. The Same to John Coke. Advises him to proceed discreetly and warily, concerning Sir Wm. St. John. [*Ibid.*]

March 16. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Concerning Sir Hen. Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John. To prepare a letter to the French King on the

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Prince's voyage, and thanking him for his courtesies. The list of the Prince's servants to be hastened. The Ambassadors' coming to Court is to be dispensed with, if possible; if not, timely notice is to be given thereof. Mr. Killigrew has returned from Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 14.]

March 16. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Earl Carlisle. On his own business, and that of Lord Denney and Sir Robt. Naunton. [*Ibid., p.* 15.]

March 16. Newmarket. The Same to Buckingham. Congratulations on his arrival in Spain. [*Ibid.*]

March 16. St. Martin's Lane. 107. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The Spanish Ambassador undertakes to give orders for the conveyance of the Prince's servants and carriages from their landing place to the Spanish Court. Will consult the Navy Commissioners about the harbour at which they should land. The treaty [for surrender of Frankenthal] progresses, but does not include a suspension of arms. Sends for signature a warrant for Capt. Burgh to deliver up the town, and a Privy Seal for 50*l.* for Mons. de Boisloré.

March 16. London. 108. John Coke to the Same. Particulars of the vessel to transport the Prince's servants, and of others which Sir John Wolstenholme has agreed shall attend upon her. The Prince's officers may have entire control over his servants, so that they do not interfere with the Captain's command over his men, and the working of the ship. The Attorney General decides that the case of the vessel taken at Helford belongs to the Admiralty Court. The King is misinformed that the Prince Royal cannot be got ready in two months; if moneys can be had, all will be ready for April 22. Presters are sent into all ports with commissions, proclamations, &c. for mariners. Asks whether a new flag of England, which will cost 100*l.*, must be provided, or whether the old one, used for Lady Elizabeth's transportation, will suffice; whether a flag of the Prince's colours shall be provided, his trumpeters, barge, &c., sent.

March 16. London. 109. The Same to the Same. Does nothing without his fellow commissioners, except where the pains of one man rather than the counsel of many is required; is envied for his frequent communications with Conway.

March 16 Westminster. Grant to Geo. Shires, Esq., and John Wells, of purchase of the manors, &c. of Eastwordelham, Westwordelham, and Wellowe, co. Hants, and of tenements in Broad Street, Dover, co. Kent, and in Rookbraugh, co. York, value 59*l.* 19*s.* 3*d.* per ann., in part of a grant to the Lord Admiral of lands, value 723*l.* 18*s.* 2½*d.* [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 78.]

March 16. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 4,000*l.* to the Marquis of Buckingham, out of the purchase money paid by Edw. Badby, Wm. Weltden, Geo. Shires, and John Wells, for several manors granted to them in part of his grant. [*Ibid., No.* 79.]

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March 16. Westminster. Declaration of the King's grant to Geo. Shires and John Wells of tenements in Rookbraugh, co. York, and in Dover, co. Kent, contained in the indenture of annexation to the Crown, notwithstanding that no certificate thereof has been received from Council, as prescribed in the said indenture. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 80.]

March 16. Westminster. Grant to Edw. Badby and Wm. Weltden, of London, at suit of the Marquis of Buckingham, of purchase of manors and lands specified in cos. Lincoln, Lancaster, York, and Leicester, on rental of 152*l.* 17*s.* 11*d.*, as part of the grant to Buckingham of lands, value 723*l.* 18*s* 2½*d.* Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 81.]

March 16. Special commission to Sir Rich. Freeman to compound for provision for cart taking, &c. for the King. [*Grant Bk., p.* 350.]

March 17. Bramsell Park. 110. Lord Zouch to Sir Edw. Zouch. Lord Nottingham, by warrant from the King, has sent for fifty deer from Odiham Park, for re-stocking Bearwood. Hopes His Majesty will recall his order, the right in the deer having been granted over to himself, though frequently contested by Sir Edw. More.

March 17. 111. Lord Carey to Sec. Conway. Will take care that neither man nor boy more than the King has allowed shall go to Spain, though he has to refuse daily applications. The Spanish Ambassador wishes Angelo the Prince's musician, and three of his fellows, who sang in his chapel at Christmas, to do the same at Easter. Durst not permit it without His Majesty's leave. *Incloses,*

111. 1. *List of the servants that go in Lord Carey's ship, the Adventure.*

March 17. St. Martin's Lane. 112. Sec. Calvert to the Same. Has drawn up, and forwards for signature, a letter from the King to the inhabitants of Frankenthal, to comfort them, assure them of his care, and acknowledge his debt to them, for moneys taken up to pay the garrison.

March 17. Chelsea. 113. Earl of Middlesex to the Same. Is assured by the Commissioners of the Navy, that the Prince Royal, as well as the rest of the ships, will be ready by the time appointed; will take care, whatever wants there be, that there shall be none for this service.

March 17. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To write to the Prince or Buckingham about the relation made to the King of the Prince's adventure with M. de Preaux, and His Majesty's care to fulfil his Highness' promise of sending two horses. A doubt concerning two ports in Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 15.]

March 17. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. Concerning the ministers of Frankenthal, and the King's care aboutpaying the garrison. [*Ibid.*]

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March 17. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Earl Marshal. Sends him a letter from the King to the Commissioners for Buildings, concerning bricks. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 15.]

March 17. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Carey. Sends a letter from the King to the Prince, to be delivered with his own hands. Lord Compton is to deliver the jewels. Sir Hen. and Sir Wm. Howard are to be admitted to sail in his ship. He is to take the Lord Admiral's robes and collar [of the Garter], and to make haste to Portsmouth; sends him a commission to have command over the Prince's servants going in his company. [*Ibid.*]

March 17. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Vaughan. Sends him a similar commission to command the Prince's servants going in his company. [*Ibid.*]

March 17. Newmarket. 114. Commission for Lord Carey, Baron Leppington, Chamberlain to the Prince, to exercise martial law over the Prince's servants going with him into Spain, during the voyage, according to his discretion.

March 17. Newmarket. 115. Like commission for Lord Vaughan, Comptroller of the Household, for the persons going in his ship.

March 17. London. 116. Sir Thos. Edmondes to Sec. Conway. Has made the required exchange in the jewels, and rectified some particulars in the warrant, for which he requests the King's signature; hopes to deliver the jewels to Lord Compton to-morrow. *Incloses,*

116. I. *Warrant for immediate delivery to Lord Compton of certain jewels specified, taken out of the Tower, to be conveyed by him to the Prince in Spain. Newmarket, March* 17. [*Slightly differing from the former list, March* 14.]

[March.] 117. Copy of the inventory of jewels in the above warrant.

March. 118. Another copy of the above inventory, dated March 16.

March 17. Newmarket. 119. Warrant for Jonathan Stott, Messenger of the Chamber, riding post to London and back on the King's special service, to take up posthorses and guides, at the accustomed rates for the King's service.

March 17? 120. Account of John Stott, for expenses from Newmarket to London and back. Total, 2*l.* 19*s.*

March 17. Bramsell Park. 121. Lord Zouch to Sir Hen. Mainwaring. In consequence of his conduct as Lieutenant of Dover Castle, in frequent absences from the castle, brawling and disorderly life, &c., requires him to resign; will remove to the castle himself; wishes to part fairly with him, or will be obliged to take some other course.

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March 17. Haverford West. 122. Sir John Carew, High Sheriff of Pembrokeshire, to the Council. Has published the proclamation, &c. for preventing the dearth of grain, and sends reports received thereon. *Incloses,*

122. I. *Justices for the Hundred of Castle Martin, Pembrokeshire, to the High Sheriff. Certify the quantity of corn brought to market, and the price at which it was sold during the past month. Pembroke, March* 3.

122. II. *Dan. Wynn, Clerk of the Peace for Pembrokeshire, to the Same. Reports the proceedings of Baronet Stepney and others, justices for Narberth and six other hundreds of Pembrokeshire. The supply of corn being found very insufficient, orders are issued against export of grain, and for apprehension of all engrossers and forestallers; also for the supply of the market of Haverford West; by which means the prices are a little abated. Haverford West, March* 17.

March 18. 123. The King to the Prince. Recommends Dr. Betune, sent to Spain as Physician to his Household, to be admitted to the same freedom of the chamber as the doctor of the Prince's person.

March 18. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Lord Carey. Sends him instructions for executing the commission to command the Prince's servants. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 16.]

March 18. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Vaughan. Transmits similar instructions. [*Ibid.*]

March 18. Newmarket. 124. Instructions for Lord Carey, Chamberlain to the Prince, touching the execution of his commission to exercise martial law, during the voyage to Spain, over the Prince's household and servants; it is not to extend to the captain and crew of the vessel, nor to commence until the ship is out at sea, and to be held rather in terrorem than for any use likely to be made of it; when on land, anywhere out of England, crimes are to be prosecuted according to the laws of the country. Lord Vaughan is to share in the authority when they are together. Detail of the different modes of punishment used for different crimes on shipboard.

March 18. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to John Coke. Directions concerning flags, trumpeters, armings, and waste cloths, hangings, barge and barge-cloths, for Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 16.]

March 18. London. 125. Sir Thos. Edmondes to Carleton. Now that the Prince has gone, no sad apprehensions are allowed, but it is to be called a generous action, and where philosophy fails, faith must begin; he is expected back in June, all things being beforehand ready in Spain for the Infanta's leaving; his servants are going over, with jewels of great value for his wearing, and as presents for the Infanta. The Ambassadors of Spain and Flanders urge a two years' truce, hoping thereby to disable Count Mansfeldt and the Duke of Brunswick; it is refused, but Frankenthal is surrendered to Spain for eighteen

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months. The Earl of Bristol says the Spaniards are the most perfidious of people, if they do not restore the Palatinate, for they say they had rather throw the Infanta into the sea, than marry her to our Prince, when his sister and her children are deprived of their patrimony; but he fears some mischief brewing about the Electorship. Carleton is not to let the Queen [of Bohemia's] generous and heroical spirit fail her, at her brother's journey, which saddens her so much. Report that the differences in the Valtoline are composed, and the French King going with all his strength against Rochelle. A large grant of land, and it is said a dukedom also, is preparing for Buckingham against his return.

March 18. Newmarket. 126. Sec. Conway to Sir Thos. Edmondes. Returns the warrant, signed. The King approves his pains, and his exact account, &c.

March [18?]. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 15.]

March 18. London. 127. Sir Thos. Edmondes to Sec. Conway. The jewels have been delivered by indenture, duly witnessed, to Lord Compton. Mr. Herriot is gone to assist in packing them, and has sat up day and night to get them completed. Refused to give Mr. Killigrew a copy of the inventory, having no direction to do so.

March 18. St. James's. 128. John Lord Vaughan to the Same. Sends lists of the persons appointed by the King and Prince for Spain, being 100 in his ship and 48 in the other. Will submit to any reduction ordered by His Majesty, and not let more go than he appoints. The ship falls down to Gravesend to-day, and is well furnished and ready to sail. *Incloses,*

128. 1. *List of the servants whom the Prince has appointed to follow him by sea into Spain, total* 86, *and of* 59 *added to the number by the King.*

March 19. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Lord Treasurer. Signifies the King's favourable acceptance of his diligence. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk. p.* 16.]

March 19. Newmarket. The Same to Capt. Brett. Concerning the accounts of his company. [*Ibid.*]

March 19. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Concerning the Brabant ships blocked up in Scotland by the Hollanders. Directions thereon to Sir D. Carleton. The computation of the Earl of Bristol's expenses is to be considered. [*Ibid.*]

March 19. Newmarket. The Same to Sir Robt. Naunton. On his own business. Four letters were sent to him in a letter to Mr. Verney, which came from Bilderbeck. [*Ibid.*]

March 19. Newmarket. The Same to the Solicitor General. Refers to him a suit of Mr. Crashaw for a lapsed benefice. [*Ibid.*]

March 19. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord Keeper. On behalf of Lady Burroughs. [*Ibid.*]

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March 19. St. Martin's Lane. 1. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Forwards for signature the ratification of the treaty. Mr. Killigrew is gone, Lord Carey has set out for Portsmouth, and Lord Vaughan is going to-morrow.

March 19. St. Martin's Lane. 2. The Same to [the Same]. Sends the articles of the treaty signed by the Ambassadors, for the signature of the Lord Steward and Marquis of Hamilton, two of the Commissioners.

March 19. 3. Lord Carey to the Same. Has received his commission, and will hasten to Portsmouth. The Marchioness of Buckingham says that her lord's robes and collar are packed up and given in charge to his servant, Mr. Crow.

March 19. 4. The Same to the Same. Will not fail, as instructed, to take Lord Vaughan's advice in any important matter. Will start for Portsmouth to-morrow, and sail as soon as possible.

March 20. Whitehall. 5. Sec. Calvert to [the Same ?]. Transmission of letters, &c. Requests, for Sir John Killigrew and his own brother-in-law, Mr. Minne, who have a patent for erection of a lighthouse at Lizard Point, Cornwall, a letter to the captains of forts, &c., for execution of the same, similar to that granted to [Wm.] Lamplugh, Clerk of the Kitchen, for Dungeness lighthouse.

March 20. London. 6. John Coke to the Same. Particulars of the instructions for Sir Rich. Bingley. The Lord Treasurer says he prepared a new barge-cloth for the King against last Parliament. Suggests that it, and a barge be sent to the Prince, as Sir Robt. Mansell had one on that coast. Sir Hen. Mervin asks leave to make a voluntary confession to His Majesty, which he says shall be fuller than can be extorted from him by examination. *Incloses,*

6. 1. *Commissioners of the Navy to the Same. Offer, for the King's approbation, in absence of the Admiral, certain instructions for Sir Rich. Bingley. Philpott Lane, March* 18.

March 20. London. 7. John Coke to the Same. Forwards the instructions which were not sent with his last letter.

March 20. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Clerk of the Signet. To stay any grant that may be offered to pass of a Prebend's place in Worcester. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 16.]

March 20. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Carey. Burton, the Clerk of the Closet, is to stay behind, and Lasley is not to be permitted to go as a Page of Honour. The King is to have an exact list of all that go. [*Ibid, p.* 17.]

March 20. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Vaughan. To the same purport. [*Ibid.*]

March 20. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The King intends to remove where the Ambassadors may most conveniently meet him. [*Ibid.*]

March 20. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Brooke. To certify his opinion on the business of Sedgmoor, with some advices. [*Ibid.*]

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March 20. 8. Locke to Carleton. Particulars of the treaty for relinquishment of Frankenthal to the Archduchess. Julian Calandrini is sent to give the officers and garrison a month's pay of the King's free gift, on their going away.

March 20. Woodstock. 9. Mayor, &c. of Woodstock to the Council. Have suppressed needless alehouses, and reformed the immoderate strength of beer. Will exercise vigilance in further suppressions, in case of disorder.

March 20. 10. John Digby, High Sheriff of Nottinghamshire, to the Same. Sends the certificates of the county for preventing dearth of corn. *Incloses,*

10. I. *Justices of Bassetlaw Hundred to the High Sheriff. Have attended to the supply of the markets, the stores being moderate, and find the prices much lowered; if they fall lower the farmers will be injured. Have suppressed alehouses and limited maltsters, but money and work for the poor are wanting. East Retford, Feb.* 22.

10. II. *Certificate of the Bailiffs of East Retford. The quantity of corn in their liberties is* 915 *quarters; have ordered forty-eight quarters to be brought to market weekly, suppressed twelve maltsters and ten alehouses, and ordered the corn to be first sold to the poor. March* 4.

10. III. *Justices of Bingham and four other Wapentakes to the High Sheriff. Find a fair proportion of corn, and have ordered the supply of the markets, but several inconveniences result from restricting the sale of corn to the markets; such as difficulty of supplying poor husbandmen with seed corn, want of carriage, advantage taken by the townspeople to the injury of the country, &c. The corn, when thrashed, scarcely yields a third of the usual quantity, and unless the prices are proportionable, the farmers will be ruined. Poverty is so great that it is hard to set the poor to work. Corn is brought in freely from the sea, up the Trent. March* 8.

March 20. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 50*l.* to Marin de Boisloré, for conveying two geldings to Paris, as a present to Mons. de Preaux. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 82.]

March 20. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 1,000*l.* to John Levingston, one of the Grooms of the Bedchamber, as the King's free gift. [*Ibid., No.* 83.]

March 20. Westminster. Grant, in reversion, to Robt. Greene, of the office of Yeoman Waiter in the Tower of London, after the placing of those who already hold reversions. [*Ibid., No.* 84.]

March 21. Westminster. Warrant for payment of 208*l.* 12*s.* 4*d.* to Ant. Victor, for lawns, cambrics, &c., and 40*l.* 10*s.* to Ellen Merill, for lace ruffs, &c., furnished to the late Queen Anne. [*Ibid., No.* 85.]

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March 21. Grant to Wm. Dandy of reprieve from standing in the pillory. [*Grant Bk., p.* 353.]

March 21. Grant to John Earl of Holderness of the yearly pension of 1,000*l.*, for life. [*Ibid., p.* 354.]

March 21. St. Martin's Lane. 11. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway ?]. Sends a letter to the French King, for signature, &c.

March 21. 12. Lord Vaughan to the Same. Will follow the King's pleasure in forbidding the going of Burton and Lasley. The number of passengers appointed for his ship is much too great; it will only carry 100. Prays that some may go in another ship, or be restrained from going at all. *Incloses,*

12. 1. *Names of such as are appointed to go in the ship with Lord Vaughan; total,* 132. *March* 17.

March 21. London. Dud. Carleton to Sir D. Carleton. Mr. Murray [Provost of Eton] is at the brink of the grave. No news of the Prince since the arrival of Gresley, who, eight days ago, met him on the frontiers of Spain. He says things were not so ripe as was believed, and that all may be undone by this step, and the dispensation harder to get than ever. He thinks the Prince might arrive at Madrid on the 15th. [*Holl. Corresp., March* 21.]

March 21. London. 13. Chamberlain to the Same. The French are offended with certain verses proposing to put St. Ignatius Loyola in the place of St. German, who is one of their special saints. The Prince and the Lord Marquis went through Kent, under the names of Jack and Tom Smith. The King was at Cambridge on the 12th, heard the play, which was contracted to five hours, and returned to Newmarket that night. The Earl of Oxford will be released if he will acknowledge his offence, but has been in danger of trial for a capital crime, of which Pembridge, his steward, accused him; he is talked of as General of the Fleet to be sent for the Infanta, but it will be hard to store and man it, for want of money, and because the mariners, fearing bad pay or ill usage, hide themselves. Walsingham Gresley met the Prince near Spain, and attended him a day's journey. He is not at all expected there, and things are not so forward as was thought, but his confidingness may work well. His servants are going under orders to carry themselves civilly, but not to go to mass. The jewels to be sent are estimated at from 80,000*l.* to 200,000*l.* The expenses of the match drain the kingdom; preachers can hardly be restrained from talking against it. Dr. Everard, of St. Martin's-in-the-Fields, is committed for saying too much, and another preacher went so far that he was sung down with a psalm before he had half done his sermon.

March 21. Norwich. 14. Mayor and Aldermen of Norwich to the Council. The quantities of barley in the town are so insufficient that, although

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the price of beer is limited, and only half the usual amount of grain spent therein, the execution of their Lordships' orders, to permit the brewers of Yarmouth to buy and carry it away for provision against the Greenland voyage, will inflict on the town a far greater inconvenience than would be suffered at Yarmouth, which, from its situation, can import freely. Request relief therein.

March 21. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to John Coke. The instructions mentioned were not sent. Sir Hen. Mervin's desire and confession. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 17.]

March 21. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord Chamberlain. The King refuses to sign a bill sent by his Lordship, for a reversion of the place of Master of the Revels. [*Ibid.*]

March 21. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Concerning some papers communicated by the King, a warrant for a sea light, and directions about the Dunkirk ships in Scotland. [*Ibid.*]

March 21. Newmarket. The Same to the Earl of Carlisle. Sends him a letter from Lord Denney to himself. [*Ibid.*]

March 21. Newmarket. The Same to Sir Edw. Villiers. To test and certify the value of a piece of mineral sent. [*Ibid.*]

March 22. Charing Cross. 15. Sir Robt. Naunton to Sec. Conway. Relates the fair promises of favour and reward made to him by the Lord Admiral on his relinquishment of the Seal, viz., that the King proposed to give him 500*l.* a year in land, and wished him to look over some land for the purpose; that he wished the grant, whenever made, to be in fee-farm, but that the Lord Treasurer objected, and proposed instead a pension of 1,000*l.* a year. Requests that if the pension holds good, it may be for twenty-one years, or for three lives, his own, his wife's, and his son's.

March 22. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Sends a packet, and explains how it miscarried. He is to certify about the three harbours in Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 17.]

March 22. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. Account of a letter to Mons. Pawell, and the entertainment of soldiers propounded by Mansfeldt, also of letters written to the Lord Treasurer on the King's resolution for the Palatinate, and on the entertainment for his son-in-law. Mons. Pawell has leave to return. Letters to be prepared to the Duke of Bouillon, on behalf of David Melvin. Slowness in the despatch of French letters. [*Ibid., p.* 18.]

March 22. Newmarket. The Same to the Navy Commissioners. Returns the instructions for Sir Rich. Bingley, with additions, and a supplement given by the King. [*Ibid.*]

March 22. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To give order for 3,000*l.*, for the use of the Prince Palatine. [*Ibid.*]

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March 22. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to Lord Vaughan. To retrench the number that are to go to Spain, that the ship may not be pestered, and to hasten away by help of tides, if the wind will not serve. To call in the assistance of Sec. Calvert. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 18.]

March 22. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To assist and hasten away Lord Vaughan. [*Ibid.*]

March 22. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Carey. The numbers for Spain to be retrenched; no Lord to be allowed more than four men, and those that are already gone but two; no gentleman more than one. Sir Robt. Carr is to have two, and three for Sir Fras. Cottington. Lasley is to have leave to go. [*Ibid.*]

March 22. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Vaughan. Of the same tenor as the preceding. [*Ibid.*]

March 22. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Informs him of the contents of the two preceding letters, and requests his assistance therein. [*Ibid.*]

March 22. Brooke House. 16. Lord Brooke to Sec. Conway. The persons employed about [the draining of] Sedgmoor request 500 acres as compensation. Had previously proposed 300 to them. Though his grandfather and the Lord Treasurer have deferred any compensation, thinks they should have some encouragement, but will obey orders.

March 22. 17. Lord Vaughan to the Same. Has stayed Burton, who asks leave to send his servant in his place. Those appointed to go in his ship are already too many by forty, yet many of Buckingham's servants, and others who have licence to go, press for admission. Asks directions.

March 22. London. 18. John Coke to the Same. Particulars relative to the arrest of Sir Hen. Mervin. Will tell Sir Henry that the proofs are pregnant against him, so as to induce him to make his confession to the King in full, and thus have a claim to mercy. Sir Hum. Stiles, interpreter between him and the French, is not yet fonnd, but Mons. St. Ravie, Soubise's servant, who commanded the ship which took the Calais prize, with Bassam as his lieutenant, is at Newmarket, and can discover what share the English Captains had therein.

March 22. Aylesbury. 19. Justices of Aylesbury Hundred to Sir Wm. Fleetwood, High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire. The markets being well supplied with grain, have not prescribed the quantities to be sold; the prices are lowering. Measures for weighing the bread, apprehending vagabonds, relieving the poor, &c.

March 23. St. Martin's Lane. 20. Sir Geo. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Lord Vaughan and Lord Carey will retrench their numbers, their ships being overburdened. Mons. Beaulieu is diligent, but his translation of the treaty into French has hindered his writing the French letters. St. Andrea is thought a more convenient post than Lisbon or the Groyne for the

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embarkation of the Prince and Infanta. The Spanish Ambassador is satisfied with the King's reasons for refusing his suit about Signor Angelo. He and Baron Boischot desire an audience.

March 23. Whitehall. 21. Lord Chamberlain Pembroke to [Sec. Conway]. The fitting up of St. James's Palace for the Infanta is the most pressing point, as her side will have to be enlarged, the oratory built, and the whole palace refurnished, the furniture there being too mean for their Highnesses; the expense will be heavy. Durham House will be the fittest for the grandees, and, as it will only be needed for a time, can be furnished from the wardrobe. Count Gondomar need not have a separate house provided; he can first share, and then occupy, that of the present Ambassador, who will be leaving. The Surveyor of the works has just reported that Durham House can be made ready at less charge than St. James's.

March 23. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to John Coke. There is a misunderstanding about the directions touching Sir Hen. Mervin. The King cannot dispense with Coke for anything about the French business. A defect in the commission, not giving power to take [evidence on] oath, is to be amended. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 19.]

March 23. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Zouch. Some deer are to be taken from Odiham Park, and put into Bearewood, but his Lordship's right shall not be thereby impeached. [*Ibid.*]

March 23. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Carey. To give passage in his ship to Mr. Crow, who carries over Buckingham's jewels; also to Jack the dwarf, and a barber. [*Ibid.*]

March 23. Newmarket. The Same to Lord Vaughan. To the same purport, with directions about a Clerk of the Chapel. [*Ibid.*]

March 23. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To despatch the two preceding letters. With note that these letters were sent after Mr. Crow, with directions that if the messenger could not overtake him, he was to deliver them to Sec. Calvert. [*Ibid.*]

March 23. 22. Note of the distribution of 4*l.* [to the servants of the Archbp. of Canterbury], at the consecration of Dr. Wright, Bp. of Bristol.

March 23. 23. Locke to Carleton. Frankenthal is given up for eighteen months only, with protection for religion, and is to be re-garrisoned, &c. if peace be not made in the interim.

March 24. St. Martin's Lane. 24. Sir Geo. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Sends letters from the Earl of Bristol to the King, containing an account of the Prince's reception at Madrid.

March 24. Hereford. 25. Sir Sam. Aubrey, High Sheriff of Herefordshire, to the Council. Sends certificates of the justices relative to the quantities of corn, &c. *Incloses,*

25. I. *Justices of Grimsworth, Stretford, and Wigmore to the High Sheriff. Have ordered supply of the markets, and forbidden barley to be made into malt. Prices abate. Hereford, March* 1.

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25. II. *Certificate of the Justices of Grimsworth, Stretford, Greytree, and Wormelow. Have ordered supply of the markets, and obeyed other directions. Hereford, March* 1.

25. III. *Certificate of the Justices of Webtree and Ewas-Lacy. The latter, being a dairy country, has no corn to sell; have appointed holders of corn in the former to take it to market; there is no market town in either hundred. March* 1.

25. IV. *Justices of Greytree and Wormelow to the High Sheriff. There is sufficiency of corn in the former hundred, but very little in the latter; what remains is duly sent to market. March* 11.

March 24. Westminster. Declaration by the King of the erection of a public office, wherein those so disposed may register the sale of lands, tenements, and goods, similar to one formerly erected by Sir Art. Gorges and Sir Walter Cope, but relinquished; also a grant of the office of registrar to Charles Chute, with a fee of 20*s.* per ann., and such gratuities as shall be voluntarily offered to him. [*Sign Man., vol.* XIV., *No.* 86.]

March 24. Westminster. Grant to Rich. Bishop, on surrender of John Rowles, of the office of Serjeant-at-Arms in Ordinary, for life. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 87.]

March 24. Newmarket. Sec. Conway to the Lord Treasurer. To meet the King at Theobalds about the letters to the Deputy of Ireland. Tidings of the Prince's arrival and reception at the Court of Spain. [*Minute,* [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 20.]

March 24. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To prepare a letter of thanks from the King to Count Olivarez, for his great courtesies to the Prince and Buckingham. [*Ibid.*]

March 25. Newmarket. The Same to the Lord President. To despatch the business of gold and silver thread. [*Ibid.*]

March 25. Newmarket. The Same to John Coke. To satisfy the Spanish Ambassador about a complaint concerning a ship seized by the Hollanders, brought into Ilfracombe, and taken possession of by the Earl of Bath. [*Ibid.*]

March 25. Newmarket. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Requests him to have the two preceding letters speedily delivered. [*Ibid.*]

March 25. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. To order that the robes and collars of the Prince and Buckingham be hastened to Court, on their first arrival in Spain, that they may be in time for St. George's Day. [*Ibid.*]

March 25. Newmarket. 26. The King to the Lord Mayor, &c. of London. Requests them to pay 1,500*l.*, which they owe to the late Alderman Rotherham, to Sir Ant. Pell, who has married his widow, notwithstanding that the payment might be postponed till the City be further assisted by His Majesty.

March 25. 27. Draft of the above.

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March 25. 28. Request of the woodmongers, brewers, and traders in coal in London to the Committee for survey of Newcastle coals, that the Order in Council proposed by their Lordships for a new grant of the office of Surveyor of Newcastle coals, and a recall of the former grant may be expedited, the time of the year requiring despatch.

March 25. 29. Sir Rich. Weston to Sir D. Carleton. The late unexpected disbursements have prevented payment of his moneys. The Lord Treasurer promises that in four days he shall have an assignment of 1,000*l.*, and will try to have the Queen of Bohemia's moneys more punctually paid.

March 25. Newmarket. 30. Wm. Chesterman to Sir Albert Montgomery. The Prince and Buckingham arrived safely at Madrid, and were most gallantly received. The beauty and grace of his mistress produce singular liking in the Prince, her perfections being far beyond all previous report.

March 25. St. Martin's Lane. 31. Sir Geo. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Sends for signature a letter to the Duke of Bouillon, in behalf of David Melvin. The Prince's servants say they cannot attend their master decently unless they be allowed two servants each, instead of one as prescribed. Thinks it not expedient that their wish be complied with. The proclamation for sending persons to the country is issued.

March 25. 32. Visct. St. Albans to the King. Entreats for a cell to retire to, where he can do His Majesty service, without being chargeable to him.

March 25. Gray's Inn. 33. The Same to Sec. Conway. Requests him to intercede with the King that he may be appointed Provost of Eton on the expected decease of Thos. Murray. Doubts not to make the school flourish. His Majesty has taken notice of his wants, and promised, on the faith of a King, to have a care of him.

March 25. Dover Castle. 34. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to the Mayors, Jurats, &c. of the Cinque Ports. To attend diligently to the Orders of Council relative to impressing mariners. *Incloses,*

34. I. *The Council to Lord Zouch. The punishments will henceforward be heavy against all seamen who run away from their ships, enter foreign service, or endeavour to avoid the prest, particularly as regards the fleet now preparing for Spain;* 150 *mariners are required from the Cinque Ports; all such as endeavour to escape are to be apprehended, and all abuses of presters, in impressing unfitting persons, or discharging for favour or money those who are fitting, are to be punished. Whitehall, March* 9.

34. II. *Instructions from the Commissioners of the Navy to Lord Zouch, to be observed in the presting of mariners. All seamen are to be summoned to appear, according to lists previously sent in, and efficient men to be chosen with discretion, so as to injure trade as little as possible. With note of the rates to be allowed them.*

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March 25. Sandsfoot Castle. 35. Sir Geo. Trenchard to the Council. Complains of the want of carriages, so that the ordnance at the castle lies on the ground useless. Should the Prince land at that port, which is much more suitable than Plymouth, as being nearer London, no volleys of great shot can be fired to welcome him, and strangers will see the unprovided condition of the fort. *Incloses,*

35. I. *List of defects necessary to be supplied at Sandsfoot Castle, Dorsetshire.*

March 26. St. Martin's Lane. 36. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Has sent off the Prince's robes and collars to Lord Carey, who asks whether in the retrenchment of passengers, he is to include the servants of four of Buckingham's gentlemen, and three Spaniards, sent to go over by the Spanish Ambassador. Archy the Fool wishes to have a servant allowed, but the Privy Chamber gentlemen will complain still more, if the fool is allowed the same attendance as they.

March 26. St. Martin's Lane. 37. The Same to [the Same]. Was much diverted with his merry letter. Sends for signature a letter for the Condé d'Olivarez, drawn up both in Latin and French. Thinks the French preferable, as it avoids giving to persons inferior to kings the title of "Excellence," of which His Majesty is somewhat profuse.

March 26. Newmarket. 38. The King to Attorney General Coventry. To draw a grant to the Earl of Carlisle of a pension of 2,000*l.* per ann., after the decease of the Earl of Nottingham, whose pensions amount to 3,700*l.* a year, whilst those granted to his Countess, his younger son Charles, and his daughter Anne, to commence after his death, amount only to 2,016*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.*, leaving undisposed of a balance of 1,683*l.* 6*s.* 8*d.*, which will only require the addition of 316*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* to make up Carlisle's sum.

March 26. Newton. 39. Sir Thos. Tresham to Sec. Conway. Will repair to Higham Park with Mr. Lyle, as ordered, and yield account to His Majesty of the wood and game.

March 26. Rowell. 40. Sir John Lambe to [Wm.] Rudiard. The parties summoned to appear at Leicester, to answer for their non-payment to the contribution, failed to appear, excepting three or four; they are, therefore, to be summoned before the Archbp. of Canterbury and Lord Keeper, at Westminster, on April 24, May 2, and May 14, according to their respective deaneries.

March 26. 41. Edw. Newport, Sheriff of Hertfordshire, to the Council. Sends the certificates of the justices, who, by example and persuasion, have provided corn in every parish to be sold at half price to the poor, till harvest, that the King's "pittifull and charitable minde" may not be disturbed by the complaints of his subjects. *Incloses,*

41. I. *Certificate of the Justices of Braughing Hundred. The markets are well supplied. Have ordered that no grain be sold except to the poor, for the first two hours each market day. Prices are lowering, &c.*

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41. II. *Certificate for the Half Hundred of Hertford. Most of the land is pasturage, but the markets are furnished from other parts. Have endeavoured to provide for the poor. March* 12.

41. III. *Certificate for the Half Hundred of Hitchin. The market of Hitchin is well supplied from Bedfordshire. Have persuaded most towns to sell to their poor at half price. March* 14.

41. IV. *Certificate for Edwinstree and Odsey Hundreds. Grain is in fair quantities. Have ordered weekly supplies for the market; that of Royston is plentifully served. Corn is to be sold cheap to the poor. March* 14.

41. V. *Similar Certificate for the Hundred of Dacorum. The market of Hemel Hempstead is plentifully supplied. March* 14.

March 26. Audley End. 42. Thos. Lord Howard of Walden to Sec. Conway. Assures him, in the absence of his father, that no man will be more welcome to him than himself.

March 26. Newmarket. Proclamation enforcing obedience to former proclamations commanding persons of quality to reside in their countries. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 113.]

March 26. Royston. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Three of Buckingham's men and two Spaniards are to go to Spain. Archy's man is not to go. The demand about the Prince is deferred. The Lords are not to come to Theobalds. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 21.]

March 26. Newmarket. The Same to the Same. The King will give the Ambassadors audience at Theobalds. He has appointed Mr. Douglas to carry the despatch to Spain. [*Ibid., p.* 20.]

March 27. 43. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Had arranged with Mr. Gresley to convey the packet to Spain, he being a man of experience, and useful to the Prince, but understands it is the King's pleasure to send it by Mr. Douglas.

March 27. Royston. Sec. Conway to the Clerk of the Signet. To stay any grant brought to his office of the estate of Edw. Eckenes, the King having promised it to Mr. Sydenham. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 21.]

March 27. Royston. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The King intends to despatch Douglas and Gresley to Spain by the next packet. [*Ibid.*]

March 27. [Royston.] 44. The Same to Visct. St. Albans. [In reply to his letter to His Majesty.] His suit is hindered by a previous promise of the King to give Sir Wm. Beecher the post. His Majesty never conceived that he, St. Albans, would have stooped so low; but, if Beecher can be satisfied in any other way, his request shall be granted. [*See March* 25 *and* 29.]

March 27. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 21.]

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March 27. [Royston.] 45. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Sir John Hippisley is to take the despatches to Spain, instead of Mr. Douglas. The Earl of Bristol is to be charged to allow no flocking of British subjects to the Court of Madrid, to pay their respects to the Prince. Such as come without leave may travel in Spain, but not pester the Court.

March 27. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 21.]

March 27. 46. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends the Latin letter for the Condé d'Olivarez, which His Majesty chose. Sends also some printed proclamations, enjoining the residence of gentlemen in their respective counties.

March 27. 47. Peter Proby, Lord Mayor of London, to Lords Grandison, Carew, and Chichester. The Aldermen, being engaged in other adventures, are utterly unwilling to enter into the project for the building of busses, and think that the Merchant Companies are too much in debt to undertake it.

March 27. 48. Memorandum that Thos. Honeyman, Solicitor to the Brokers, said that he cared not for the Registry patent; that it had been given by the King in his nonage, on false information, and that he would overthrow it.

March 27. 49. Another statement, to the same effect.

March 27. 50. Locke to Carleton. The East India Companies have concluded their treaty, but a difference occurs about the security to be given by our merchants for transporting some pepper, the Merchant Adventurers refusing to join the East India Company therein. Little hope for money; the Treasurer gives good words, but nothing else.

March 27. 51. Bond of Wm. Baron, of Newmarket, Suffolk, John Nunn, of Twitnam, Middlesex, and James Yonger, servant of the Earl of Kelly, in 100*l.*, for the appearance of Baron before the Council when required, and for his dutiful carriage in the King's service.

March 28. St. Martin's Lane. 52. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Dr. Wright prays to be allowed to do homage to the King at Theobalds for the Bishopric of Bristol, that he may go down to the country to attend to his duties.

March ? 53. Description of the manner in which a Bishop performs homage to the King, who usually then signs a writ of the restitution of his temporalities.

March 28. St. Martin's Lane. 54. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Forwards a letter from Lord Carey, which requires a speedy reply.

March 28. Ordnance Office. 55. Estimate [by the Officers of Ordnance] of gunners' stores required for the Garland and Adventure.

March 28. Ordnance Office. 56. Similar estimate of ordnance stores required for the eight ships and two pinnaces bound for the coast of Spain.

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March 28. Harrington House. 57. Countess of Bedford to Carleton. Has good cause for writing to the Queen [of Bohemia], to urge her to greater wariness as to whom she speaks freely to, or she will undo herself, and make others afraid to interest themselves in her cause.

March 29. Theobalds. 58. The King to the Master and Fellows of St. John's College, Cambridge. To elect a fellow for that College, most worthy for his learning and merit, without respect to particular persons.

March 29. Gray's Inn. 59. Visct. St. Albans to Sec. [Conway]. Thanks for the King's willingness to give him [the Provostship of Eton], if Sir Wm. Beecher can be otherwise provided for. No other place could be so fit for himself "in the spent houreglasse of" his life, being near London, and a place of study. Will send a treatise on usury—how to suppress it, and yet to make it useful to His Majesty; but wishes it to be given not as from him, lest the project be rejected for the sake of its author.

March ? 60. Discourse [by Visct. St. Albans?] on the uses and abuses of usury; with suggestion for remedy of the latter, by establishing two rates of usury, that of five per cent. for ordinary loans, and nine per cent. for loans to merchants on special licence, of which one per cent. shall be paid to the King.

March ? 61. Wm. Sanderson to the King. Shows that the practice of usury is against Scripture, the canon and civil laws, and the common and statute laws of the realm. Urges the King to claim the fines given him by law on usury, and shows the advantage of a Royal Exchange for remedy thereof.

March 29. Stockport. 62. Justices of the Hundred of Macclesfield, Cheshire, to Sir Thos. Smith, High Sheriff. State the quantity of corn which may be brought to market. Have arranged for a weekly supply, provision for the poor, &c.

March 29. 63. Bond of John Aprice, of Chiltern, co. Wilts, in 200*l.*, to Edm. Lane, of Gussage All Saints, co. Dorset, to indemnify him for a bond of 120*l.*, for which he became surety at his request.

March ? 64. Names of mariners dwelling in St. Peter's, Thanet, from eighteen to sixty years of age.

March ? 65. Similar list for the parish of Ringwold, Kent.

March ? 66. Similar list for Ramsgate.

March 29. 67. Similar list for Deal.

March ? 68. Similar list for Dover.

March ? 69. Similar list for Margate and St. John's, Isle of Thanet.

March 29. London. 70. Sir John Coke to Sec. Conway. Has satisfied the Spanish Ambassador that the King wishes to do him justice. The certificate in the cause of Sir Hen Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John is agreed on, and will be sent in full, the French Ambassador being urgent in the matter; has not allowed Mervin to go to the King.

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March 29. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to the Bp. of Ely. To pass a Prebend's place in Ely Cathedral to Rich. Taylor, according to his former promise. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 21.]

March 29. Theobalds. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Dr. Wright is to come to do homage. Lord Carey is to set out for his voyage, though Lord Vaughan be not come aboard. Sends a warrant for allowance to Herriot, the jeweller, for a garter and a collar. [*Ibid.*]

March 29. Theobalds. The Same to the Same. To come to Court to-morrow. The Lord Treasurer is to meet the Spanish Ambassador there on Monday. Sends safe conducts and passes for embarkation for Sir John Hippisley and Sir Lewis Tresham; also divers letters for Spain. [*Ibid., p.* 22.]

March 29. Theobalds. The Same to Lord Carey or Lord Vaughan. Sebastian Rowland, a servant of Endymion Porter, is to be permitted to go to Spain. [*Ibid.*]

March 30. Theobalds. The Same to the Lord Chamberlain. Concerning audience to be given to the Venetian Ambassador. [*Ibid.*]

March 30. Westminster. Writ of restitution of the temporalties of the Bishopric of Bristol to Dr. Robt. Wright. Latin. [*Sign Man., vol.* XV., *No.* 1.]

March 30. Westminster. Grant to Geo. Lowe of protection from arrest, for six months. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 2.]

March 30. Westminster. Re-grant to Sec. Calvert of a territory in Newfoundland, with alteration and addition of some particular points, for better encouraging that plantation. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 3.]

March 30. Westminster. Grant to Alex. Stephenson, Page of the Bedchamber, of lease of a coal mine in Wickham, Bishopric of Durham, during the lives of Robt. Anderson, of Newcastle, and Fras. Anderson, of Jesmond, co. Northumberland, and of Thos. Sanderson, of Hedley-Hope, co. Durham. Latin. [*Ibid., No.* 4.]

March 31. St. Martin's Lane. 71. Sec. Calvert to the King. Sends a packet just received from Spain, detailing the reception of the Prince, &c. Asks whether bonfires shall now be ordered, and the account be printed. Is surprised that the Prince has not yet received the despatches sent from England.

March 31? 72. [The Same to Sec. Conway]. If the King wishes any demonstration of joy by bonfires and bell-ringing, for the Prince's arrival at his journey's end, it must be done by a letter to the Lord Mayor for London and to the Lord Keeper for Westminster.

March 31. St. Martin's Lane. 73. The Same to [the Same]. Sends certain papers brought from Spain by Mr. Grimes.

March 31. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to the Lord Chamberlain. To provide lodgings for a nobleman coming from Spain, and to think of the house in Broad Street. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 22.]

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March 31. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To inquire from the Spanish Ambassador the quality of the nobleman expected from Spain, and to advise with the Lord Chamberlain about his reception. To prepare a letter from the King, thanking the King of Spain for the honourable entertainment given to the Prince, and to order Mr. Gage to thank Sforza in the King's name; the Prince will do the same for himself. Bonfires are to be made in London. Gresley is to prepare for Spain, and Grimes to come to the King with all speed. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 22.]

March 31. St. Martin's Lane. 74. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Sends letters from Lord Carey, showing the mischief resulting from the impertinence of Sir Rich. Bingley, who deserves a sharp reproof for troubling the King on punctilios, and disregarding orders sent through a Secretary of State. Thinks future harm might be prevented if, in the reply, his folly were reproved.

March 31. Theobalds. 75. The King to Sir Hugh Middleton. Desires him to continue his endeavours for advancing the work of the Royal Mines, which shall be rewarded in due time, and not to regard any discouraging rumours. Will never place the work in other hands without recompensing him.

March 31. Grayes. 76. Visct. Wallingford to the Council. Intreats that the "mechanical fellows" of Reading, who have slighted his authority as High Steward, by deposing the under steward, Mr. Clarke, against his consent, may be enjoined to acknowledge their fault, and to admit him to be present at Clarke's examination; otherwise the favour shown by their Lordships to Clarke will increase the wrong done to himself.

March 31. Dover. 77. Thos. Benson to Nicholas. Sir Hen. Mainwaring, being from home, did not receive the [Lord Warden's] letter till the Sunday after its date. One of his projects for future employment is to go to the East Indies.

March 31? 78. Justices of the Hundred of Nantwich to Sir Thos. Smith, High Sheriff of Cheshire. Find very little surplus of corn, but have ordered what there is to be brought weekly to market, and attended to other points of the instructions.

March 31. St. Ives. 79. Justices of the Hundred of Hurstingstone, Huntingdonshire, to Sir Edw. Peyton, High Sheriff. Have ordered supply of the markets, attended themselves to see the poor supplied the first two hours, and ordered no more malt to be made. The prices abate a little, and the people are less tumultuous.

March 31. 80. Memorandum of anticipations made upon the several heads of the revenue of 1623; total, 34,620*l.* 8*s.* 9*d.*

March. 81. Geo. Bennett, High Sheriff of Leicestershire, to the Council. Sends the return of proceedings of Justices in several hundreds, for moderating the excessive price of corn. *Incloses,*

81. I. *Justices of* [*the Hundreds of Gartree, Framland, and Guthluxton*], *to the High Sheriff. Finding the store of*

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wheat and barley "wondrous short," have endeavoured to secure peas and beans for the support of the poor, but some persons are refractory, and will not forbear feeding sheep and swine with peas. Inclose,

81. II. *Names of the persons above referred to as offenders.*

March? 82. Petition and certificate of the makers and weavers of worsted, baize, says, stuffs, and fustians, in cos. Norfolk, Suffolk, and Essex, to the Commissioners for Trade. Specify the grievances to which they are subjected by deceits in the winding of yarns, and making of deceitful goods, which were referred to Council, then to the Parliament of 1621, on its dissolution to the King, then back to Council, by them to a commission appointed for the said counties, and on their report, to the general Commissioners for trade. Request a proclamation confirming the orders of Council of 1617, and other steps for redress.

March? 83. Petition of Robt. Salmon and Elizabeth his wife, late wife of Capt. Robt. Boner, to the Council, to compel the East India Company to allow more than 5*s.* a ryal upon 1,000 ryals, the property of Robt. Boner, who died in the East Indies in 1619, and left this sum to be repaid to his executors at home,—the ordinary exchange being 10*s.* the ryal, and the company having detained the money three years.

March? 84. Petition of Thos. Ronce and Robt. Jaye, guardians of Henry, son and heir of Alderman Jaye, deceased, to Sir Wm. Cockayne, President, and the rest of the governors of St. Thomas's Hospital, Southwark, for renewal of the lease of tenements in Budge Row, held by the late Alderman Jaye, on account of their importance to his great house, having the watercourses thereto belonging running through them.

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[March.] Book of Grants, entitled "Extraict du Livre Alphabetique des Rolles, Regne du Roy Jacques," being extracts from the calendar of the patent rolls 1–20, James I. The entries in this volume, excepting such as are duplicates, are calendared under their respective dates.

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April 1. St. Martin's Lane. 1. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Has endeavoured to satisfy the Ambassadors about the impositions complained of; they are earnest in urging a suspension of arms. Will obtain information about the nobleman coming from Spain. Asks directions about printing the account of the Prince's journey and entertainment; has much ado to keep others from doing it imperfectly. Transmission of papers, &c.

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April 1. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Sends the Earl of Bristol's relation of the Prince's reception in Spain, which he is to get printed. Orders him to inquire about a seditious sermon preached at St. Andrew's, Holborn, and to hasten away the letter to the King of Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 24.]

April 1. 2. The King to the Fellows of Eton College. Grants them a dispensation to seal the presentation of Dr. Rich. Montague to the living of Petworth, notwithstanding the clause of their statutes forbidding the common seal to be set to any presentment except in the college hall or provost's parlour, and in the presence of the provost and a majority of the fellows, because the long-continued sickness of the provost will prevent its sealing by him before the expiration of the patron's six months.

April 1. 3. Deposition of Mary Haynes, servant to Mrs. Johnson, of Neville's Alley, Fetter Lane; of Mary wife of Thos. Goudray, of Chancery Lane; and of Mary Madox, of the Broad Sanctuary, Westminster, that Fras. Smith told Mrs. Johnson that the Jesuits had an infinite mass of treasure hidden, and afterwards reproached her for not keeping secret what he had said.

April 1. Bodvell. 4. Sir John Bodvell, High Sheriff of Carnarvonshire, to Visct. Mandeville. Sends certificates of the Justices of their proceedings touching the dearth of corn. *Incloses,*

4. I. *Justices of Commitmaen, Gafflogian, and Dinnlaen, Carnarvonshire, to the High Sheriff. The county has not sufficient corn for sustenance till harvest, nor can the people buy it, being so poor, and having neither money nor sale for the produce of the county. Have ordered the supply of the market as long as the corn lasts, and prevented those who can afford to maintain their children from sending them a begging. March* 10.

4. II. *The Same to the Same. To the same effect. Have suppressed maltsters and alehouses, and charged corn owners to supply the poor. April* 16.

4. III. *Justices of Uwch-Gorfai to the Same. The whole hundred contains only six or seven barrels of pilcorn, and no other sort of grain, and yet there are large numbers who must buy till the new corn comes in. Bettus, March* 10.

4. IV.—VII. *Returns made by the Justices of the town and liberties of Conway and hundreds of Isaf and Creuddyn to Thos. Lewis, Deputy Sheriff of Carnarvonshire, of the names of persons who have corn to spare, of small maltsters, tippling-house keepers, &c., with the names of the jury impanelled thereon. Conway, March* 8—15. *Prefixed to each are the interrogatories upon which the returns are founded. With memorandum, that there is no corn in the hundred of Narntconway.*

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April 1. Theobalds. 5. [Sec. Conway] to the Navy Commissioners. Sir Hum. Stiles's evidence is to be taken relative to the French prize; but as he was appointed by the King a principal attendant on M. Soubise, and therefore was with him when the prize was taken, his evidence is only to be used for clearing the truth; his person is to be respected, and be allowed to return to His Majesty.

April 1. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 24.]

April 1. [Theobalds]. 6. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The King is anxious for Lord Carey's departure, and for Lord Vaughan's arrival. The captain [Sir Rich. Bingley] is to be reprimanded for not attending to his instructions.

April 1. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 24.]

April 1. Theobalds. 7. [The Same] to Sir Rich. Bingley. Reproves him for refusing to comply with certain instructions sent him by Sec. Calvert, because not signed by the King. His Majesty signs commissions, &c. in the first instance, but if no further instructions nor variations could be obeyed without his signature, his work would never be done. Such a want of judgment deserves dismissal from service and punishment, if repeated. He is to hasten to Spain, according to Calvert's directions, whether Lord Vaughan be come or not. Advises him to acknowledge his fault of ignorance against Sec. Calvert, or he must be made to answer for it,

April 1. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Letter Bk., p.* 24.]

April 2. Theobalds. 8. [The Same] to the Bp. of London. The King wishes him to examine into and send an account of a seditious sermon, said to have been preached at St. Andrew's Church, Holborn.

April 2. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 24.]

April 2. Theobalds. 9. [The Same] to the Lord Mayor of London. Hen. Field, guilty of a presumptuous offence against the King, has escaped, and is supposed to be lurking in London or Westminster. Strict search is to be made for him after ten at night, and if found, he is to be sent to His Majesty. Description of his person. With note that letters of similar tenor were sent to the Aldermen of London, and Justices of Middlesex and Surrey residing near London.

April 2. Theobalds. Minute of the above letters, substituting one to the city of Westminster instead of to the Aldermen of London. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 24.]

April 2. London. 10. Commissioners of the Navy to Lord Brooke. Think, in reference to Mr. Aylesbury's note, which he professes has the King's allowance, that the Defiance, one of the ten ships, should be employed for the service to avoid expense, she being already in preparation, and that another smaller ship of the ten should be sent with her, other Ambassadors having been so attended. Think Dr. Ryves

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will be the best civilian to be joined with the Attorney General on Sir Hen. Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John's cause. *Inclose,*

10. I. *Note by Thos. Aylesbury, the Lord Admiral's secretary, that his Lord directs the sending of Capt. Love to St. Andrea, in a good ship, provided with victuals and money, for attendance for a month or two.*

April. 11. Abstract of the above letter of the Navy Commissioners. Indorsed April 3.

April 2. 12. Visct. St. Albans to Sec. Conway. Sends him "a brief tractate," the fruit of his leisure, and begs him to take a fit occasion to show it to the King; but His Majesty must remember the saying of Solomon, "as iron sharpeneth iron, so one man's wit edgeth another," and therefore must excuse a solitary man, who hears nothing debated, if he comes only near the mark. Requests a packet for Spain for the bearer, Mr. Goodrick.

April 2. 13. Mayor and Justices of Peace of Norwich to the Council. Repeated refusals of Joel Desormeaux, Sam. Camby, and Denis l'Ermite, to comply with the orders of Council, and pay contributions to the minister and poor of the Walloon congregation. With note, by the Bp. of Norwich, that they allege petty grievances against the minister as the ground of their refusal, and that unless exemplary justice be exacted from them, the Walloon congregation will fall to nothing. *Inclose,*

13. I. *Recognizance of Joel Desormeaux, of Norwich, in* 40*l.*, *to appear before the Council, to answer for contempt of their orders relating to the Walloon congregation. Norwich, April* 2.

April 2. Nacton. 14. Sir Robt. Brooke, High Sheriff of Suffolk, to the Same. Sends the certificates of Justices of the Peace for the county, relative to corn, &c. *Incloses,*

14. I. *Certificate of the Justices of Peace for the hundred of Lackford and half hundred of Exming to the Same. There is scarcely corn enough to serve till harvest, but the markets are supplied for the present, and the poor have corn* 8*d.* to 12*d. below market price. Feb.* 7.

14. II. *Certificate for the hundreds of Babergh and Cosford, that the stores of corn will hardly suffice, some of the towns being very populous, and the prices high and still rising. Orders are taken for relief of the poor and suppression of vagrants and alehouses; by reducing the price of beer to* 2*s. the gallon, drunkenness is much decreased, and the consumption of grain in beer reduced two thirds. Lavenham, Feb.* 19.

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14. III. *Certificate from the hundreds of Blackbourne and Thedwestry. The corn, of which the quantities and prices are specified, will barely suffice for the wants of the country. Feb.* 20.

14. IV. *Certificate from the Justices of Peace of the hundred of Thingoe to the Council, of the quantities of corn in the hundred; there are only two poor alehouses, and no engrossers or carriers of corn, bakers, brewers, or maltsters. Bury, Feb.* 24.

14. V. *Certificate from the Justices of the hundred of Risbridge to the Same. Have ordered the corn to market, but the supply will not suffice till harvest. There are but two alehouses in the hundred, and no broggers of corn, &c. Feb.* 28.

14. VI. *Mayor* [*?*] *&c. of Hadleigh to the High Sheriff. Have secured sufficient corn for the next two months. Most of the cloth-workers have employment at present, but the state of the cloth trade being doubtful, it is uncertain how long it will continue. Hadleigh, March* 18.

14. VII. *Certificate for the hundred of Harteswere. Quantity and price of corn. The deficiency of supply will be made up from other divisions of the county. March* 22.

14. VIII. *Justices of the hundreds of Blything, Wangford, Mutford, and Lothingland, to the High Sheriff. Their overplus of corn in hand would not suffice till harvest, but that large quantities have been bought in from Norfolk and from abroad. Have persuaded the sale of part at prices below the market for the poor, and have forfeited some, which was sold to brewers and maltsters, though the owners threaten to sue for damages. Beccles, April* 1.

14. IX. *Certificate for the hundred of Hoxne, addressed to the High Sheriff. The ground being chiefly pasture, the supply of grain never suffices, and quantities have to be brought from Norfolk, where the owners, knowing the necessities of the case, enhance the prices.*

April 2. Leicester. 15. Wm. Rudiard to [Sir John Lambe]. Has published his letters to the clergy; excuses himself for non-appearance, and promises to see him at the next Court.

April 2. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to [Thos.] Read, Latin Secretary. Returns the letter to the King of Spain, with directions for alterations therein. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 24.]

April 2. Theobalds. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Though the King wished his attendance at Court, he will dispense with it on account of his indisposition, but the Chancellor of the Exchequer is to come immediately, and an excuse to be made to the Ambassador meanwhile [*Ibid., p.* 25.]

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April 2. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to Gresley. To be in such readiness for his journey for Spain, that as soon as he receives the King's letters, "he may put foote in stirrop, and be gone." [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 3. Theobalds. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Returns the letter to the King of Spain signed, with strict directions for Gresley to hasten away with it. [*Ibid.*]

April 3. Charing Cross. 16. Sir Hen. Vane to Sec. Conway. The Prince has sent for his tilting furnitures; finds he has no pavilion to rest himself in after running; that which he used in England belongs to the Great Wardrobe, and the colours are green and yellow, which will not correspond with his present colours, tawny velvet, embroidered with silver. Requests orders whether to make him a pavilion to match his other accoutrements.

April 3. Theobalds. 17. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Hen. Vane. The King approves his suggestion that a new pavilion be made for the Prince, to match his tawny and silver caparisons, if it can be done without stopping the other works, or delaying the journey.

April 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 3. Theobalds. 18. The Same to the Navy Commissioners. They are to obey Mr. Aylesbury's directions sent from Buckingham, and despatch the Defiance, with a smaller ship to attend her, to wait two or three months at St. Andrea. The King approves that Dr. Ryves be joined with the Attorney General in the business of the captains, who are meanwhile to be safely kept.

April 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 3. Theobalds. The Same to the Attorney General. To summon Dr. Ryves, and, with assistance of the Navy Commissioners, to proceed in the business of the two captains, according to directions lately given to Lord Brooke. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 3. Theobalds. 19. [The Same] to the Navy Commissioners. To examine into the subject of the enclosed letter, and send information to the King, who wishes to oblige Sir Noel de Caron if possible. *Incloses,*

19. I. *Sir Noel de Caron to Sec. Conway. Requests a warrant for delivery of Capt. Reyer Jacobson of Schermhoven, who, contrary to his war commission, turned pirate, and seized a Dutch merchant ship, which he wishes to sell in England. Capt. Moy Lambert seized him at sea with his prize, but he and three others escaped, and are now in prison in the Isle of Wight. French.*

April 3. Theobalds. Minute of the above letter of Conway. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 25.]

April 3. 20. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The ratification of the last treaty has arrived from the Infanta. The order for the delivery of Frankenthal is despatched. Thanks him for the rest afforded him to take physic.

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April 3. 21. Peter Proby, Lord Mayor of London, to Lords Grandison, Carew, and Chichester. The Court of Aldermen absolutely decline undertaking, not only the general project for fishing busses, but the lesser proposition of building six busses and four doggers.

April 3. London. 22. Bp. of London to Sec. Conway. Has examined both the preacher at St. Andrew's, Holborn, who is accused, and many of his auditory, but can find nothing said by him tending to sedition, unless it were an exhortation to a good collection for a poor woman, who, being converted from Popery, is forsaken by her relatives. Mr. Wilson's sermon at St. Paul's contained general words full of evil interpretation, and Mr. Corshe, preaching at St. Michael's on Solomon's marriage with an idolater, proposed to make an application to the present times, when Dr. Gifford, the minister, rose and said that, fearing something might be uttered contrary to the King's instructions, he would close the service by singing a psalm. *Incloses,*

22. I. *Examination of Dr. Wilson, lecturer at St. Andrew's, Holborn. Preached at St. Andrew's on Sunday week last, from Matthew,* xxvi. *v.* 39, *but spoke nothing against the Jesuits nor the Spanish Ambassador, nor handled any controversial subject. April* 3.

22. II. *Observations from Mr. Wilson's sermon at Paul's Cross, March* 30. *That Popery and treason are nearly allied, all Papists being bound to take the part of the Pope against their Sovereign; that Popery leads to perjury, breach of faith, &c., and should be guarded against by all loyal subjects.*

April 3. Oxford. 23. Dr. R. Kettle and Dr. John Prideaux to the Archbp. of Canterbury. Geo. Melsom occasions great distress to the poor, by enclosing and ploughing up, contrary to his promise, certain pasture lands in Gasington field, which were used for feeding their cattle. Request that he may be sent for at once, or relief will come too late.

April 3. 24. List of names of mariners of the town and port of Hastings.

April 4. 25. List of masters of barks or vessels, mariners, and seafaring men fit for service, resident at Sandwich.

April 4. Theobalds. 26. The King to [the Dean and Chapter of Durham?]. Requests a lease of some things in their disposal for Wm. Toderick, which have been long promised, but of which he has been hitherto disappointed.

April 4? 27. The Same to the Same. A former request on behalf of Wm. Toderick for leases of Fishlake and Wardley having failed, again solicits that of Fishlake, with an equivalent for that of Wardley; will otherwise be compelled to take notice of the refusal of a request so often repeated.

April ? 28. Draft of the above [by Sec. Conway].

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April 4. Donnington. 29. Earl of Huntingdon to [Sir John Lambe]. Requests that Mr. Watson, lately appointed to the vicarage of Ashby, may be excused from any contribution, being yet in his first fruits, and his living only worth 30*l.* a year.

April 4. 30. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Lord Carey's ship has put to sea, joined Lord Vaughan's and the merchant ships in his company, and all are now in sail.

April 4. [Theobalds.] 31. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Treasurer. The King wishes him to consider the enclosed suit of the Earl of Montgomery, whom His Majesty, from his great affection for him, would be glad to satisfy.

April 4. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 4. Theobalds. 32. [The Same] to the High Sheriff or Under Sheriff of Hertfordshire. To respite from execution Wm. Brett, of Waltham Holy Cross, Essex, now in Hertford Gaol, the King having determined to send him to Virginia.

April 4. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 4. Theobalds. 33. [The Same] to the Attorney General. To prepare speedily a bill for respite of Wm. Brett, and for his transportation to Virginia.

April 4. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 4. [Theobalds.] 34. [The Same] to Sir Thos. Wentworth. Requests him to secure the continuance to the bearer, Goodall, of the pension which he nobly procured for him. The Prince's reception in Spain is, like the visit, unexampled; his household, jewels, apparel, and the robes for St. George's Day are gone; he and Buckingham have sent for horses, tilting armour, and caparisons, &c. The dispensation will soon be there, and none but either the desperately envious, or vile almanack-makers arguing from conjunction of planets, now talk of any delay. The ten ships will set out the end of the month, and by the end of May return with their rich charge. Frankenthal is given up to the King of Spain, for restoration to England, and all wars suspended till the Prince's return.

April 4. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 26.]

April 4. London. 35. Earl of Leicester to [Carleton]. The Prince is received in Spain with unknown honours, but has no intercourse with the Infanta, only the sight of her; nor has the dispensation arrived from Rome. Olivarez has written to Rome to say that, since the Prince has come himself, either the dispensation must be sent or the King of Spain must be allowed to proceed without it. The Prince will scarcely return before September, but the Admiral is expected next month. The King has a swelling in his knee, but returns to town to-morrow, and will go to Windsor for St. George's Day, when Marquis Hamilton is to be made Knight of the Garter.

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April 4. 36. Sir Geo. Southcote, High Sheriff of Lincolnshire, to the Council. Sends certificates from the Justices of the county, relative to their proceedings to prevent the dearth of corn. *Incloses,*

36. I. *Certificate of the Justices of the Wapentakes of Langoe and Boothby Graffo. There is a lack of corn in the district. Prices of grain. March* 1.

36. II. *Mayor, &c. of Boston to the High Sheriff. There will be great want of corn in the town, unless some is imported. Have ordered supplies to be sent to market for the present. Boston, March* 5.

36. III. *Justices of the Wapentakes of Skirbeck to the Same. To the same effect. Boston, March* 5. *Inclose,*

36. IV. *Names of persons appointed to bring corn weekly to Boston market, with the quantities prescribed for each.*

36. V. *Certificate by the Justices of Peace of the stock of corn in the Wapentakes of Candleshoe and Bolingbroke.*

April 5. 37. Edm. Fortescue, High Sheriff of Devonshire, to the Council. Sends certificates of the Justices of Peace of the county, relative to their proceedings in remedying the dearth of corn. *Incloses,*

37. I. *Justices of part of Wonford and Exminster Hundreds to the High Sheriff. Have arranged for the weekly supply of Exeter Market, and suppressed needless maltsters. Find no badgers nor corn carriers. Prices of grain. Exeter Castle, Feb.* 7.

37. II. *Justices of Crediton, West Budleigh, and part of Wonford Hundreds to the Same. Have ordered the supply of Crediton Market, where corn is as yet plentiful and reasonable, and attend weekly to persuade sale to the poor below market prices. The little market of Chagford is taken in charge by Sir John Whiddon, who lives near. Crediton, Feb.* 15.

37. III. *Justices of Haytor, Teignbridge, and part of Exminster Hundreds to the Same. Have exerted themselves to have the markets well supplied, restrained needless bakers and maltsters, &c. Prices are reasonable. Ashburton, Feb.* 22.

37. IV. *Justices of Lifton, Tavistock, and Roborough Hundreds to the Same. Find good store of corn, and have ordered it into the market weekly, and taken pains to prevent the enhancing of prices. Feb.* 27.

37. V. *Justices of Coleridge and Stanborough Hundreds to the Same. The constables of several of the parishes have failed to make their returns; forward those of others.*

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April 5. London. 38. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King is expected in London. The Provost of Eton is not likely to survive; Sir Wm. Beecher has the promise of the place, though Lord St. Albans, Sir Robt. Naunton, and Sir Jas. Fullerton are competitors. Only seven of the Council attended at St. Paul's on the Accession Day; Richardson, of Magdalen College, preached, not long nor highly commending the times, but giving Queen Elizabeth her due. A third and still more strict proclamation is issued, ordering noblemen, prelates, and others to reside in the country; it displeases all, especially the women. The Prince's servants and chaplains are to follow him with chapel furniture, Latin prayer books, &c.; the service is to be performed in Latin, and the Communion celebrated with wafer cakes and wine and water, but it will be to no purpose, as the Spaniards will not come near. At first sight of the Prince, Gondomar fell flat before him, and would not be raised, but cried out "Nunc dimittis," as having attained the top of his desire; yet Lord Digby writes that he hopes he may not be blamed if the Prince's coming mar their expectations. It is rumoured that Digby does not agree well with Buckingham, who has the powers of Ambassador Extraordinary, and is to be made a Duke, as are also Marquis Hamilton and the Earl of Arundel, greatly to the disgust of the Duchess of Lenox. The Prince has sent for Lord Kensington, Sir Geo. Goring, and Sir Thos. Germain. The Prince Royal, built by Prince Henry, is so out of repair that it will be a great expense to fit her to go to Spain, and one way or other, the marriage will cost as much as it brings in, for now we must be content with such conditions as they please to impose.

April 5. Hythe. 39. List of names of the fishermen and seafaring men of the town and port of Hythe.

April 6. Whitehall. Proclamation forbidding the carrying of munition to Algiers and Tunis, for sale to the pirates there. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 114.]

April 7. Gray's Inn. 40. Visct. St. Albans to Sec. Conway. Mr. Murray [the Provost of Eton] is at the point of death; desires the place when it falls vacant; his heart is much set upon it, as fit for him, and one wherein he may do good.

April 7. Madrid. 41. Endymion Porter to his wife Olive. Letter of affection. Hopes she is not jealous. The beauty of the Infanta makes the Prince like her. Sends a tobacco box to Lady Villiers.

April 8. Plymouth. 42. Sir John Eliot to the Council. Ordered all the mariners and seafaring men to appear at times and places specified, but some were gone for Newfoundland, and a rumour of the intended summons arriving beforehand, others withdrew themselves, so that scarcely a tenth were present. Has pressed eighty men between Plymouth and Dartmouth, and the rest will be raised in other parts of the country. There has been much neglect and contempt of orders—some absenting themselves on voyages purposely; they should receive exemplary punishment on their return.

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April 8. Church-hulme. 43. Justices of the Hundred of Northwich to Sir Thos. Smith, High Sheriff of Cheshire. Certify the price of corn in that hundred.

April 8. Great Marlow. 44. Justices of Desborough Hundred and Mayor of Wycombe to Sir Wm. Fleetwood, High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire. Proceedings about corn. Have not prescribed the quantities to be brought to market, the supply being sufficient, and the prices not high; but the decay of clothing and of the bone-lace trade causes much poverty. Pains taken to supply the poor with corn, to suppress vagabonds, reduce the strength of beer, &c.

April 8. Leicester. 45. Hen. Hastings and John Chippingdale to [Sir John Lambe]. Request that Thos. Wright, Vicar of Long Claxton, may be excused contribution to the benevolence, he being a poor man, and his vicarage of small value.

April 9? 46. Petition of the Master and Wardens, &c. of the Apothecaries' Company of London to the King, for his letter of recommendation that Gideon Delawne [Launey?], assistant of the Company, who is likely to be elected Master, may be made free of the City, in order to avoid any differences that may arise from his want of this privilege.

April 9. Westminster. 47. The King to the [Lord Mayor, &c. of London]. Requests that Gideon Delawne, in consideration of faithful service to the late Queen Anne, may be made a freeman, which, as he is a stranger born, cannot be done without an act of Common Council.

April 9. Whitehall. Sec. Conway to the Attorney General. To prepare for signature a grant to Chris. Villiers of the barony of Daventry and earldom of Anglesey. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 27.]

April 9. Whitehall. The Same to the Clerk of the Signet. To stay any grant that may be brought of the benefit of the forfeiture of Nich. Luck's estate, the King having promised it to his servant, Adam Hill, if the party be convicted. [*Ibid.*]

April 9. Whitehall. The Same to Sir Allan Apsley, Victualler of the Navy. The victuals for the ship that is to carry the Prince's horses to Spain are to be orderly stored in by Friday next. [*Ibid.*]

April 9. 48. Note of letters of safe conduct for Hen. Lord Kensington, Captain of the Guard; and Sir Geo. Goring, Lieutenant of the Pensioners, to go to Spain to the Prince.

April 9. Dover Castle. 49. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. Defends himself from the accusations of going to Canterbury without leave, assaulting a man in the streets, sleeping in the town instead of the castle, &c. Details of the trial of prisoners before Sir Geo. Newman. Has attended to the orders for impress of seamen, and pressed the finest seamen that were ever sent out of the Cinque Ports; could have gained 200*l.* by letting some off, but would not. Hopes to retain his post, the loss of which would now be ten times worse than if he had never enjoyed it. Indorsed [by Nicholas], "Sir H. Maynwaring's answere to my Lord's letter, desiring him to give up his place."

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April 10. Deal. 50. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Sec. Calvert. A Dutch vessel in the Downs, bound for the West Indies, has many English sailors on board. Has ordered the Mayor of Sandwich to stay such of them as come on shore, because, in spite of the King's proclamation, so many enter foreign service for greater gain, that it is endless toil to supply the King's ships with fit men. Has not stayed the ship, having no instructions. Requests directions.

April 10. Dover Castle. 51. Lord Zouch to Lord Treasurer Middlesex. His Lordship's presentation of Mr. Benion to the parsonage of Wotton was contrary to the grant made to himself by the late Master of the Wards, of the body and lands of a certain ward, and of all benefices falling in during his minority. Will buy Benion off, if it may be done, but if not, must uphold by law the right of his own grantee, Mr. Potter, tutor to his son [-in-law] Tate, who, living just in Tate's neighbourhood, will be a great comfort to him.

April 10. 52. Names of the masters of fishing boats and mariners, &c. dwelling in Lydd.

April 10. Whitehall. 53. Order by the Lord Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer, that, to prevent fraud upon the customs by conveying goods between London and the outports, all carters, waggoners, &c. shall enter bonds to carry no goods without a bill of entry to the subsidy-collector of the port, in which bills the merchants are to express the quantity and quality of the goods, and name of the port whence they are to sail; and that all foreign goods landed at the outports and brought to London shall have similar certificates.

[April 10.] 54–58. Five copies of the above.

April 10. Rome. 59. Pope Gregory XV. to Charles Prince of Wales. Regrets the altered state of Britain. Hopes that as under his predecessor, Gregory the Great, apostolic authority was there established, he may be permitted to see it re-established, by the conversion of the Prince, "the flower of the Christian world," who proves, by seeking to marry a Catholic Princess, that he does not hate the see of Rome. Sets before him the example of his ancestors, and hopes he will become the "infranshiser of Brittayne." [*Translated from the Latin.*]

April 10. Rome. 60. Another translation of the Pope's letter, differing from the preceding.

April 11. Flying Dragon, before Cowes Castle. 61. Capt. Lambert Hendrick to Ant. Ersfield, Captain of Cowes Castle. Has orders from Sir Noel Caron to sail with Capt. Bartholomew Reyer Jacobson's ship, and that laden with wine, &c., to Holland; begs him to keep the prisoners safely. Will soon send a ship to fetch them away, and pay their charges. Dutch.

April 11. 62. Translation of the above.

April 12. 63. Captain Ant. Ersfield to Capt. Moy Lambert. Reproaches him with his breach of faith and of the national alliance, in departing contrary to his word given to the Earl of Southampton. Conjures him to return with the ships, on pain of instant notice to the King and Council. French.

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April 12. Flying Dragon, before the Isle of Wight. 64. Capt. Lambert Hendrick to the Captain of Cowes Castle. States, in reply to the above, that he has acted by order of the States General, [Jacobson's] vessel being a pirate ship, and sent for by them. Dutch.

April 12. 65. Translation of the above.

April 12. Claxton. 66. Parishioners of Claxton to [Sir John Lambe]. Certify that Thos. Wright, their minister, is a very poor man, has sundry heavy expenses, and is unable to contribute to the benevolence.

April 12. Whitehall. 67. [Sec. Conway to Buckingham.] Professions of devotion. Lord and Lady Exeter have sent the story of the loves of the Earl of Oxford and Lady Diana [Cecil], and are very anxious for the Earl's liberation, which they say Buckingham earnestly sued for. Has spoken to Lord and Lady Montgomery about it, and also acquainted His Majesty with what passed, and suggested that this alliance might be made the reason for the Earl's release, provided it were so managed as not to give rise to the remark that he was imprisoned without just cause, and is now liberated in the favourite's absence. The King says he will have him cleared by a public trial. Has solicited the grant for Sir Robt. Naunton; the Lord Treasurer professes not to have lands to bestow worth 500*l.* a year, and offers 1,000*l.* pension instead, but is not willing that it shall be for twenty-one years, and Naunton is unwilling to accept it for a shorter time. He asked leave to go to his lodgings at Whitehall, to solicit this matter. Those who wished the King to have a guard of soldiers at Newmarket now say that the flocking to Spain will exhaust the kingdom of money.

April 12. 68. Draft of part of the above.

April ? 69. Petition of Hen. Drayton, Master Gunner of the Phœnix, to the Council, to order a fresh supply of ordnance stores for that ship, the former stores being spent, and the vessel, now in Bristol, ordered back to the service against pirates.

April 14. 70. Commissioners of the Navy to Sir Thos. Button, Captain of the Phœnix. To take command of his ship at Bristol, and pursue W. Rosekiner, a Cornish gentleman, who has piratically taken two prizes, and to apprehend all suspected pirates, and bring them into Bristol. With note, by Sec. Conway, of the King's approval of the above letter, dated April 15.

April 14. 71. Michael —— to [Sec. Conway?] Private business. The tenants of Alcester threaten to leave unless their rents may be abated.

April 14. Re-grant to John Fitzherbert of pardon for life only, for killing Wm. Bush, of Glamorganshire. [*Docquet.*]

April 14. Licence to John and William, sons of Sir Hen. Croft, to travel for a year. [*Docquet.*]

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April 15. Cambridge. 1. John Poley to Endymion Porter. Assurances of respect and affection.

April 15. Whitehall. Sec. Conway to the Attorney General. To prepare a commission for the Earl of Rutland, to go as Admiral of the fleet into Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett Bk., p.* 27.]

April 15. Whitehall. The Same to Lord Windsor. To prepare himself to go with the Earl of Rutland into Spain. [*Ibid.*]

April 15. Whitehall. The Same to Lord Morley. Of the same tenor. [*Ibid.*]

April 15. Whitehall. 2. [The Same] to Sir Fras. Steward, Admiral, and Capt. John Love, Vice Admiral. Requires them to obey themselves, and enforce on all under their charge the instructions sent them. With notes of similar letters to Capt. Best, Capt. Wilbraham, and other officers of the vessels.

April [15]. 3. Instructions for Sir Fras. Steward appointed to take command of the St. George, as Admiral of two ships now sent to Spain, with Capt. Thos. Love in the Antelope as his Vice Admiral, in reference to the government of the expedition; care to be taken to prevent waste of the stores; pirates not to be attacked to the hindrance of the voyage; the vessels to make for the Groyne, and there await the commands of the Lord Admiral, &c.

April 15. Whitehall. 4. Instructions for Capt. Thos. Wilbraham, appointed to command the ship Susan, and to take charge of her and the Sea-venture to carry the Prince's servants and horses to Spain, to accommodate the passengers according to their degrees, and assume no command over them, except as necessary for the safety of the ship; also as soon as ever they are on board, to lose neither wind nor tide to get away, and to stay nowhere but at St. Sebastian or Bilboa, whither they are bound, &c. With note by Conway of the King's approval of the instructions.

[April 15.] Easter Tuesday. Worcester. 5. John Archbold to Dr. Giles, Master of the children of the chapel. Dr. Chetwynd, Dean of Bristol, is dead, and had wished him to succeed to his parsonage of Broughton, co. Wilts, worth 200*l.* a year. Would more willingly exchange his two vicarages for that parsonage, if he might have the deanery too. Begs him to favour his suit.

[April 15.] 6. The Same to Sec. Conway. To the same effect.

April 16. Whitehall. 7. The King to Sir Thos. Edmondes. Discharges him from the custody of certain jewels specified, taken from the Secret Jewel House in the Tower to be sent to the Marquis of Buckingham, and delivered to the King's own hands.

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April 16. Tower. 8. And. Palmer to Sir Edw. Villiers. Has made trial of the stones from the two mines sent by the King, and finds them mere stones sprinkled with brimstone, containing neither gold nor silver.

April 16. 9. The King to Sir Robt. Pye, Auditor of the Exchequer, and others. To deliver to Thos. Earl of Arundel and Surrey, Earl Marshal, the Staff of Constable of England, and certain ancient seals of Hum. de Bohun, Earl of Hereford and Essex, formerly Constable.

April 17. Kingston-upon-Hull. 10. Mayor, &c. of Kingston-upon-Hull to the Council. Have obeyed their instructions in not permitting Thos. Anderson, Rich. Warner, or any other of the town, to trade to Greenland or elsewhere within the privileges of the Muscovy Company; but the whole town and adjacent country remonstrate against this restriction of their trade, as ruinous to them and their families, their ships being prepared to go this year, as usual, to those parts, of which they profess to be the first discoverers. Beg attention to their reasons alleged for permission to continue their trade.

April 17. [Hampton Court.] 11. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Fras. Steward. To permit Sir John Wentworth to go over in his vessel.

April 17. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 27.]

April 18. St. Martin's Lane. 12. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends Lord Clifford's account of the last gaol delivery. Hopes the King will allow his request for repairs. If Sir Wm. Beecher be appointed Provost of Eton, begs that Simon Digby may succeed him, as Clerk of the Council. The King would be better served if promotions were given in turns, as they fall due. *Incloses,*

12. 1. *Lord Clifford to Sec. Calvert. Sends the names and punishments of the offenders at the gaol delivery. Newcastle gaol is so weak that many escape from it, and so noisome and infectious that many prisoners die. Requests* 100*l. of forfeited recognizances to spend on repairing it. Much false money, scarcely distinguishable, is abroad, but the coiner is taken. Tynedale and Riddesdale men are the most cunning thieves; but many thieves stole from hunger. A course is taken for catechising youth, and erecting a free school. Eight men are sent to Scotland for trial, at request of Lord Buccleugh. April* 10. *Extract.*

April 18. Windsor. 13. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Treasurer. The King thanks him for his care, wishes the gold thread business to be ended, and directs him to associate others with himself, to consider the hastening of the important business of the chapel [for the Infanta]; he also wishes the jewels from Sir Peter Vanlore to be sent.

April 18. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 28.]

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April 18. [Windsor.] 14. [Sec. Conway] to the Bp. of Peterborough. Thinks it better to transfer to him a petition sent for the King by one of his servants, requesting that as the Parsonage of Branston, co. Northampton, has lapsed to the King by a foul fault in —— Bincks, and is transferred to —— Merrill, the benefits thereof may be sequestered till the case is tried, and then Merrill be confirmed in the appointment. Requests him thus to settle the affair, unless he see cause to the contrary.

April 18. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 27.]

April 18. Windsor. 15. [The Same] to Lord Brooke. The ships are to be hastened, that the goods sent may have their convoy; he is to carry to the sea, or have safely conveyed to Sir Fras. Steward, a letter from His Majesty to the Prince, and jewels for Buckingham to give as presents, and to Sir John Wentworth, a letter for Buckingham.

April 18. 16. Copy of the above.

April 18. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 28.]

April 18. Windsor. The Same to Sir Fras. Steward. Informs him of the letter and jewels which he is to carry to Spain. He is to stay for the Prince's pavilion. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 28.]

April 18. Windsor. The Same to Sir Hen. Vane. To hasten the Prince's pavilion and the other things to be sent, as Sir Fras. Steward is waiting for them. To state in what readiness the things now are. [*Ibid.*]

April 18. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. Continues the former directions for preparation of a chapel. [*Ibid.*]

April 18. Inner Temple. 17. Sir Thos. Coventry to [Sec. Conway]. Sends for approval a draft of the Commission for the Earl of Rutland; the blanks for the names of the ships shall be supplied, by aid of the Commissioners of the Navy.

April 18. 18. Examinations of Edw. Bashe, of Geo. Clarke, Victualler of Wormley, Hertfordshire, and of Wm. Clarke, his son. Christ. Chandler, painter of Barnet, said, in reference to the stealing of the King's deer, that he wished the deer were hanged and the King too. Chandler is sometimes mad for days together, and endangers the life of his wife and children.

April 19. 19. Examination of Christ. Chandler, of Barnet. Was at Geo. Clarke's, but remembers no conversation about the King or the deer-stealers. Served under the late Earl of Essex, but, by over study as a painter, is liable to fits of distraction.

April 19. Chelsea. 20. Lord Treasurer Middlesex to Sec. Conway. Will take measures to prepare the chapel. Sir Peter Van Lore's jewels, and others of the Countess of Suffolk, now in pawn, shall be submitted to His Majesty's inspection; begs that the King will not declare which he prefers, as advantage is taken of his preference, but leave the Chancellor, himself, and others to bargain for them, there being great necessity for frugality. Incloses Lord Exeter's second answer

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about Exeter House. The King must consider about the other houses to be provided; Suffolk House, Durham House, and Salisbury House are empty. The Lord Chancellor of Scotland desires a warrant to pass 316 oz. of gilt plate, which is a much larger quantity than is usually allowed. *Incloses,*

20. 1. *Earl of Exeter to the Lord Treasurer. Consents, though reluctantly, to give up Exeter House in the Strand to His Majesty's use, for two or three months, on condition that it be restored in good repair, and that his Steward and Housekeeper be permitted to remain. Cannot find in his heart to bid those in it be gone, especially Lord Denney, so leaves his Lordship to do as he pleases therein. Burghley House by Stamford, April* 16.

[April 19.] [Windsor.] 21. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. The King requires Sir D. Carleton to obtain assurance from the Prince of Orange and the States, that the two Ostend vessels at Leith and Aberdeen shall be permitted, according to the law of nations, to set sail from those harbours two tides before the Hollanders, who are waiting to chase them, otherwise His Majesty must take steps for freeing his harbours. Calvert is to consult the Navy Commissioners what two ships can most readily go to Scotland; one of those preparing for Spain must be sent; he is to acquaint the Spanish Ambassador with what is done, and come to the King on Monday.

April 19. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 28.]

April 19. London. 22. Chamberlain to Carleton. The King arrived in London on the 5th, and heard the Archbp. of Canterbury preach on Palm Sunday. Particulars of Good Friday and Easter sermons. His Majesty has removed to Hampton Court and Windsor. The Provost of Eton is dead. Sir Robt. Naunton offers to give up all pensions and promises, if he may have that place, but it is reserved by the King until Buckingham's return; and meanwhile the promise is renewed to Beecher, but with condition that he marry the widow, or provide for her and her children. Sir W. St. John and Sir Hen. Mervin, who escorted M. Soubise to Rochelle, are committed, for conniving at his surprising a Dunkirk ship, bringing treasure from Spain. The Prince has sent to request the fleet to be hastened, or he and the Infanta will be at the sea-side before it arrives, but his sending for his tilting furniture makes it thought all is not so forward as reported. Marquis Inijosa is coming as Ambassador. The dispensation has not come from Rome, but is sent for. Sir Fras. Steward has gone to fetch home Buckingham, also Sir John Wentworth and Lord Vaughan, who have lately turned Catholics, as will many more at the Infanta's coming. The Prince intends to dispense with and send home all his inferior retinue, provisions being so scarce in Spain. The King is sanguine of his son's success in Spain, and delights to talk over the story of the adventures of the journey, during which the Marquis had seven falls, Sir Fras. Cottington twelve, but the Prince not one; thinks they must have been known in the French Court,

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though the knowledge was dissembled. Death of Sir Thos. Lowe, and of the Earl of Bridgwater's only son. The Earl of Oxford remains in confinement till Buckingham's return; it is said he is to marry Lady Diana Cecil, with 4,000*l.* in money, and 1,000*l.* a year in land. There is a great faction in the Virginia Company; the parties are headed by the Earls of Southampton and Warwick, and others. They were heard by the King, who reproved Sir Edw. Sackville for impertinence.

April 19. Hatton House. 23. Elizabeth Lady Hatton to [Carleton]. Is anxious to visit the Hague and the Queen of Bohemia, but has sued in vain for five or six weeks, for permission. All the English are on the wing for Spain, but, notwithstanding her walks and talks with Gondomar, she will ever oppose his country. Regrets Carleton's long absence, but thinks him happier than many that have taken a suddener leap.

April 19. Amersham. 24. Justices of Burnham Hundred to Sir Wm. Fleetwood, High Sheriff of Buckinghamshire. Have diminished alehouses, find moderate store of corn, and the price abated. Have set the poor on work, &c.

April 19. Whitehall. 25. Thos. Lumsden to Sec. Conway. The King has directed that no grant shall be passed relating to Galtres Forest, without Lumsden's consent, as being a public officer there. Robt. Turner, recommended by the Earl of Rutland, is not a fitting person for keeper. Bought the patent of Jennings the late Keeper, and has held the place and discharged its duties advantageously four or five years. Hopes Turner will not be admitted. Mutilated.

pril 19? 26. Grant to Robt. Turner, on recommendation of the Earl of Rutland, of the office of Keeper of Deer in Galtres Forest, Yorkshire, in place of Robt. Jennings.

April 19. Windsor. Sec. Conway to Sir Hen. Vane. To stay all the tilting provisions formerly ordered to be sent to Spain. The fleet to be hastened, especially the two ships commanded by Sir Fras. Steward, and that containing twenty ambling nags. Lord Kensington and Sir Geo. Goring's trunks and servants to be sent after them in the ships. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 29.]

April 19. The Same to Sir Fras. Steward. To the same effect. [*Ibid.*]

April 19. [Windsor.] 27. [The Same] to John Coke. On receipt of fresh letters from Buckingham, the King orders the tilting horses and furniture to be stayed, and the general fleet hastened.

April 19. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 29.]

April 20. [Windsor.] 28. [The Same] to Sec. Calvert. Recapitulates the orders to Coke about things to be sent for Spain. The Spanish Ambassador is to be asked tidings of the Count expected from Spain. Damaged.

April 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 29.]

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April [20]. 29. John Coke to Sec. Conway. The tilting provisions are stayed and the horses hastened away, Sir Fras. Steward and Capt. Love being already at Chatham; the merchant ships cannot go with them to St. Sebastian, as they are bound for the Groyne, where, if the horses landed, they would be out of condition with the journey to Madrid. The fleet will be ready to go by the end of the week; but the delay in appointment of officers will hinder the service. Has given an account of the accommodation the ships will afford. The Clerk of the Kitchen asks supplies for two months for 700 men, whereas the Prince and Buckingham's servants are only 200.

April 20. [Windsor.] 30. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Fras. Steward. Requests him, on behalf of a lady, his near kinswoman, to liberate Hen. Bewett, his gunner's mate, from the present voyage, he being a principal witness for the lady in a suit now depending in the Admiralty Court.

April 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 29.]

April 20. Windsor. 31. [The Same] to the Lord Treasurer. Mr. Killigrew brings tidings that the Prince's affection is doubled by seeing and speaking with his mistress; that he increases daily in favour with all classes in Spain; that the dispensation is hourly expected, and they will all return by Midsummer. The chapel must therefore be hastened, and the bargain for Exeter House gone on with. The Chancellor of Scotland is to be permitted to export 316 ounces of gilt plate.

April 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 29.]

[April 20.] Draft of part of the above, with list of letters to or from other parties. [*Dom. Corresp., April* 23.]

April 20. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To hasten the chapel, and to prepare St. James's House, whither the Princess is first to be brought, and which is to be her constant seat. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 30.]

April 20. Windsor. The Same to Lord Brooke. On the stay of the tilting provisions and hastening away of the fleet, &c. Heads of the news from Spain. [*Ibid.*]

April 20. Westminster. 32. Abm. Williams to Sec. Conway. The Lord Treasurer refuses to give order to the goldsmith for M. Pawell's present; thinks, as it must be done, it were better done at once. Sends a petition of his uncle; the parties are agreed to join together in one patent.

April 20. 33. Statement of the grievances of the owners and masters of ships of London, Ipswich, Harwich, and other coast towns trading to Newcastle for coals, to the Council, against the oastmen of the said town, who combine to prevent free trade in coals, compel the buyers to take refuse coal, and use deceits in the measuring thereof. Propose remedies for these abuses.

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April 21. Brocklesby. 34. Sir Wm. Pelham to Sec. Conway. Is diverted from the contemplative life he loves by having to take charge of many of his farms, the tenants giving them up. Many thousands have sold all they have, down to their very bed-straw, and can get no work. Dog's flesh is a dainty dish, and horse flesh that has been kept for hounds.

April 21. Morley. 35. Jacinth Sacheverell, High Sheriff of Derbyshire, to the Council. Sends certificates of the Justices as to their proceedings touching the dearth of corn. *Incloses,*

35. I. *Justices of the hundred of Morleston and Litchurch to the High Sheriff. Find in their division* 1,033 *quarters of spare corn, and have ordered the weekly supply of the market proportionably. Feb.* 10.

35. II. *Bailiffs of Derby to the Same. Have surveyed the grain, limited the alehouse keepers, provided* 140 *quarters of corn to be sold weekly to the poor below market price, and arranged the supply of the markets. Derby, March* 20. *Inclose,*

35. III. *Certificate of the quantities of corn and malt in Derby, with the names of the owners. Feb.* 5.

April 21. 36. [Sec. Conway] to John Coke. The posts must be punished for their tardiness. Preparations for the fleet are to proceed; the captains and officers, who were decided on between the King and Lord Admiral, will soon be declared. Sir Fras. Steward's ships are to convoy the ship with the horses as far as the Groyne, and then the latter is to proceed to St. Andrea.

April 21. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 30.]

April 21. [Windsor.] 37. [The Same] to the Attorney General. The King wishes the commission for the Earl of Rutland [to go as Admiral of the Fleet to Spain], to be as honourable as for any who have had the like charge. All things go well in Spain; the Fleet is hastened, the Prince promising to return by Midsummer. The admiration for him in Spain is trebled.

April 21. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 30.]

April 21. Windsor. The Same to the Earl of Rutland. Concerning his commission and instructions for his voyage as Admiral of the fleet to go to Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 30.]

April 21. Windsor. The Same to Sir Fras. Steward. To take into his ship M. Beauclerc, the Prince's servant, and his man, and to hasten away on his voyage. [*Ibid., p.* 31.]

April 21. Windsor. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To recommend M. Beauclerc to the Spanish Ambassador, that he may have a pass from him for his better accommodation in Spain. [*Ibid.*]

April 21. Windsor. The Same to Sir Hen. Vane. Informs him of the directions for M. Beauclerc's passage. [*Ibid.*]

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April 21. Windsor. Sec. Conway to Sir Fras. Steward. To take the ship with the nags into his convoy, and make all possible haste away. Directions how far to convoy the said ship. M. Beauclerc is to sail with him. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 31.]

April 21. Windsor. The Same to the Clerk of the Signet. To prepare for Dr. Archbold a grant of the deanery of Bristol, void by the death of Dr. Chetwynd. [*Ibid., p.* 30.]

April 21. Windsor. 38. The Same to Mr. Palmer, Officer of the Mint. The King requests the fulfilment of his promise to send to him speedily a man expert in mines.

April 21. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 31.]

April 21. The Same to the Muscovy Company. Recommends Chris. Cocks for employment as their agent in Russia. [*Ibid.*]

April [21]. 39. Lord Brooke to Sec. Conway. Readiness of the fleet. Has made alterations in the furniture of the chief cabin of the Prince [Royal], which is expected to be the Lord Admiral's ship, and given the necessary orders for the change of directions in the sailing of the ships.

April 22. St. George's Ship, Chatham. 40. Sir Fras. Steward to the Same. Has been trying three days, from morning to night, along with Capt. Love, to warp or sail their vessels over the chain, but cannot do it unless the easterly winds abate. Will do their best to convey the ship with the hackneys to St. Andrea.

April 22. Windsor. 41. [Sec. Conway] to John Coke. The King wishes the Treasurer to confer with the Navy Commissioners, who are to be prepared with calculations of the fresh victuals, and of the number of men that will be required, and of the expense. Thinks the King of Spain, who so magnificently feasts the Prince, will surely give the ships fresh victuals for their homeward journey.

April 22. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 32.]

April 22. Windsor. 42. [The Same] to Sir Marmaduke Darell [Surveyor of Victuals] and Mr. Pay [Clerk of the Kitchen]. They are to calculate the proportions of fresh victuals that will be required for the fleet going to Spain, and to report thereon to the Lord Treasurer, when summoned.

April 22. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 32.]

April 22. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To consult on and set down a fit proportion of victuals and other necessaries for the fleet, and to hasten the resolution and execution thereof. The jewels are to be sent to the King. Also concerning a pension to be granted to Carr of the Bedchamber, and his wife. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

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April 22. Windsor. 43. [Sec. Conway] to the Attorney General. To prepare a patent for Lieut. Lawrence Garlick of the sole benefit of his new invention of a mill for draining drowned lands, coal-pits, &c., for milling cloth, grinding corn, and other uses.

April 22. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 32.]

April 22. London. 44. John Coke to Sec. Conway. The Proctor in the Admiralty Court suggests that causes should be sued in the names of the ship proprietors, not in those of the Ambassadors, especially in the case now pending between the Spanish and Dutch merchants, about corn at Ilfracombe, as the Spanish solicitor dares not acknowledge Sir Noel de Caron as Ambassador. Thinks the cause will go in favour of the Dutch, and if so, suggests the King's seizing the corn, as compensation for Moy Lambert's injuries to the Lord Admiral, in carrying away the forfeit pirate ships from Cowes.

April 22. Windsor. 45. The King to Sir Thos. Edmondes. Grants him a discharge for thirteen diamonds, taken out of the Secret Jewel House in the Tower, and given to Geo. Herriot, to be made up into a jewel as a present to Marquis Inijosa, coming over as Ambassador Extraordinary from Spain.

April 22. Newcastle-upon-Tyne. 46. Mayor of Newcastle to Sec. Calvert. Refers to his consideration the indiscreet speeches of Lawrence Rushforth. *Incloses,*

46. I. *Examination of Eleanor, wife of Cuthbert Bates, of Newcastle. Lawrence Rushforth, of Acklington Park, Northumberland, told her that the traitor, Thos. Percy, had appointed him to wait for him with two horses and a boy, and if he came not, to go away. Newcastle-upon-Tyne, April* 20.

April 22. [Windsor.] 47. [Sec. Conway] to Lord Brooke. Fresh directions have arrived from Buckingham about the ships. The King now commands the George to stay for the rest of the fleet, but the Antelope to proceed with the horses, letters, and jewels to St. Andrea. If Sir Fras. Steward wishes it, he may go with her as a private man, if not he must deliver the letters and jewels to Sir John Wentworth, and when Love, Captain of the Antelope, has landed his charge, he is to return and rejoin the fleet.

April 22. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 31.]

April 22. Windsor. The Same to Sir Fras. Steward. Directions similar to those contained in the preceding letter to Lord Brooke. [*Minute, Ibid., p.* 32.]

April 22. Brooke House. 48. Lord Brooke to Sec. Conway. Finds orders from the Lord Admiral to stay the two ships ready to sail, as he resolves to return in the ship destined to convey the Prince and Princess. Asks what hangings and furniture should be provided in it for him, and what ship the Earl of Rutland shall then remove to. Rutland's commission, and the appointing of officers should be immediately despatched, or the fleet will be delayed. Will return to Chatham as ordered. Begs him to inform the King that one of the herons has hatched her young, another is making her nest, and the swan sits close, &c.

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April 22. St. Martin's Lane. 49. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. The Spanish Ambassador denies the remarks imputed to him concerning opening the trade to Flanders, and the ships of Dunkirk blockaded in the Scottish ports, but says he did express a wish and hope that the King would deal more gently with the Roman Catholics in Scotland and Ireland. Forwards certain despatches. Frankenthal is surrendered to the Infanta.

April 23. Windsor. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The King is pleased with his negociation with the Spanish Ambassadors. The despatch into Spain is to be prepared for Mr. Killigrew to carry. Returns numerous letters, including one from Lord Clifford, of April 10 [*see April* 18], with directions to give order for payment of 100*l.* for repairing a gaol, according to his request. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 33.]

April 23. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. On the proportion of victuals, &c. for the fleet. The number of 800 passengers is thought exorbitant. [*Ibid., p.* 32.]

April 23. Windsor. 50. [The Same] to John Coke. The King hesitates between honour and frugality. He does not see how 800 passengers can be stowed into the ships. The suit of the Dutchmen is to be referred to the Admiralty Court.

April 23. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 33.]

April 23. Windsor. 51. [The Same] to the Lord Treasurer. The King cannot see how eight ships and two pinnaces can convey 800 passengers; the proportions they will carry are to be carefully estimated, and the matter decided, as the fleet is to sail before a list can arrive from Spain.

April 23. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 33.]

April 23. Windsor. The Same to the Same. To bargain for Exeter, Durham, and Suffolk Houses, against the Prince's return from Spain. The Earl of Suffolk has granted his house. Also to hasten the commissions for Ireland and Virginia, and the jewels. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

April 23. Inner Temple. 52. Sir Thos. Coventry to [Sec. Conway]. Has made the alterations requested by the Earl of Rutland in his commission, and sends it for signature.

April 23. Windsor. Sec. Conway to the Lord Keeper. To expedite the Earl of Suffolk's suits in Chancery. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 33.]

April ? 53, 54. Statement of charges necessarily to be defrayed by the Paymasters of His Majesty's Posts, and of abuses committed by Hutchins and other posts, in living away from their stages, employing inefficient deputies, and trying to procure for their body exemption from all control. Two copies.

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April ? 55. Memorandum, that on complaint made by the Posts to Council against the paymasters, certain fees were taken away, on which the posts became insolent through favour; that then the point of fees was referred to the Lord Treasurer, and the disorders of the posts to the Secretaries.

April 23. Chelsea. 56. Certificate of Lord Treasurer Middlesex, that there is no cause that the fee of 12*d.* in the pound, demanded by the Paymasters of the Posts out of their wages, should be abated or abridged to Mr. Heydon, the present Paymaster.

April 23. St. Martin's Lane. 57. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Transmits Sir Dud. Carleton's letters, and begs the return of other papers.

April 23. Windsor. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To hasten to the King certain letters for the Duke of Saxony and Princes of Germany, for which he has already received instructions. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 34.]

April 24. St. Martin's Lane. 58. Sir Geo. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Will despatch Mr. Killigrew, but cannot draw up the letters to the Duke of Saxony and Princes of Germany till M. Rusdorf returns from Windsor, he having the instructions of the Prince Elector.

April 24. Windsor. 59. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. The King has given audience to M. Rusdorf, and wishes letters to be written to the Princes, as satisfactory as the circumstances will permit, in reference to his son-in-law's request.

April 24. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 34.]

April 24. Windsor. The Same to the Earl of Carlisle. On his own business. [*Ibid.*]

April 24. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To despatch the pension of 500*l.* a year, formerly granted to Mr Murray. [*Ibid.*]

April 24. Chelsea. 60. Lord Treasurer Middlesex to Sec. Conway. Will attend to providing the houses in the Strand as commanded, though it belongs rather to the Lord Chamberlain's department. Drafts of the Ireland and Virginia commissions are ready to be submitted to Council. The King's favours to his servants being without end, desires a special warrant for the pension of 500*l.* for Mr. Carr. Has persuaded Thos. Murray's widow and son to wait the Prince's return before petitioning for a like pension. Thinks the proposals of the Navy Commissioners about diet, provisions, and sending so many fresh officers and servants to attend to them, needlessly wasteful, and that each captain should rather provide a table for his own passengers. Had rich lords and knights been chosen captains, they would have eased the King of this charge. Is sick at heart with the idea of these extraordinary charges, when the King is so ill able to meet his ordinary expenses. Cannot hold out unless some extraordinary supply be thought of, or some large sums come in from Spain with the fleet, but will pawn his whole estate for the present.

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April 24. Windsor. Sec. Conway to the Clerk of the Signet. Sends the Earl of Rutland's commission, and requires him to expedite it in passing the Seals. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 34.]

April 24. Brooke House. 61. Lord Brooke to Sec. Conway. Has transferred the jewels and letters from Sir Fras. Steward to Sir John Wentworth. Capt. Wilbraham, with the ship that carries the geldings, has sailed, contrary to direction, into the Downs. The Antelope and Sir Fras. Steward's ship have passed the chain to Gillingham, and to-morrow Capt. Love will sail for Spain, but he requires further directions on points specified, owing to the change of arrangements. Has examined into the stores of each ship, and sends a certificate of supplies needed.

April 24. 62. Robt. Typper to the Same. Begs the King's signature to renewal of the [commission ?] for defective titles. Will be blamed, as the term approaches, if those who have been at expense about their patents cannot obtain them, and if subjects who have paid their moneys cannot secure their despatch. Will never offer any disputable grants for signature, but give the true secret and nature of all that he sends. Damaged.

April 24. More Lodge. 63. Countess of Bedford to Carleton. Sir Wm. Beecher is not likely to succeed Thos. Murray as Provost of Eton, but Freeman, a Master of Requests and ally of Buckingham. Cannot tell how to advise Carleton about it, since in these times "those that are nearest the well-head know not with what bucket to draw for themselves or their freinds." Hopes to see Lady Carleton when she arrives.

April 24. Windsor. 64. Sir Hen. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. Went to Calais by the King's order, to fetch over the Archduchess's Ambassador. Informed Sec. Calvert of the stay made of certain English sailors serving on board a Dutch vessel, and by his command, has brought the ship into Dover harbour. Was ordered to attend Council thereon; after waiting four days in vain, went to Windsor, in hope of talking with the King about the impress of mariners, but His Majesty has said nothing about it as yet. Is desired by the Earl of Rutland to go as captain in the ship in which he sails as Admiral to Spain, but refers his whole disposal to his Lordship.

April 25. Windsor. 65. Proclamation enforcing the orders given to the Earl Marshal, May 15, 1622, that all persons receiving knighthood cause their names to be entered on a registry kept in the College of Arms, within a month, on pain of losing the benefit of their precedency, until the date of such entry.

April 25. Copy of the above. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 115.]

April 25. 66. Justices of the Hundred of Cottesloe, Buckinghamshire, to Sir Wm. Fleetwood, the High Sheriff. Find plenty of all kinds of grain, and the markets well supplied.

April 25. Windsor. 67. Petition of John Rathborne and John Charsley to the King, for a patent for two engines by them invented for boulting and dressing meal, including a former patent to Edm. Blunt, of which

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they have purchased the assignment, he having never brought it into use. With order thereon granting the petition.

April 25. Tunsted in Peak Forest. 68. Fras. Tunsted, gamekeeper, to Lord Annandale. Sends His Majesty four moor hens with eggs in them, and three cocks. Moor fowl are so decayed that none will be left, unless there be a proclamation restraining for three years all shooting of them north of the Trent. Requests the King's letter to Sir Rich. Harpur, justice of the peace in Derbyshire, to assist him in taking an excellent setting dog, belonging to two mean gentlemen of the county.

April 25. Windsor. Sec. Conway to the Lord Treasurer. The propositions for victualling the Navyare exorbitant; a computation must be resolved upon. Cautions him not to neglect his own health. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 34.]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To acquaint the Spanish Ambassador how the King intends to furnish the fleet with fresh victuals. His Majesty is not satisfied with Sir Dud. Carleton's letters. [*Ibid., p.* 35.]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to Lord Brooke. The King approves his care in disposing the ships according to the altered resolution. Capt. Love is to follow his former instructions, without expecting any others. The two Dutchmen may be allowed to go. The record found by his Lordship is approved, and will suit the occasion. [*Ibid.*]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To bargain with Sir Peter Van Lore for certain jewels chosen by the King, and mentioned in a note enclosed. [*Ibid.*]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To prepare a letter to the King of Denmark on the Prince's journey and entertainment in Spain. [*Ibid.*]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to the Earl of Southampton. Signifies the King's gracious acceptance of his care and advertisements. [*Ibid.*]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To cause an exact and true trial to be made of certain Irish minerals sent. States the offers of the propounder thereof. [*Ibid.*]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to Sir Hugh Middleton. Concerning a newly invented waterwork for which he is a suitor. The same [patent] or one like it is granted to Lieut. Garlick. [*Ibid., p.* 36. *See April* 22.]

April 25. Windsor. The Same to Thos. Lumsden. About a keeper's place in Galtres Forest, granted to [Robt.] Turner. [*Ibid.*]

April 26. Whitehall. 69. Thos. Lumsden to Sec. Conway. Has been too ill to wait on him, but has written to Hen. Gibb and the Earl of Rutland on Turner's affair. Had the false statement of the forfeiture of the former patentee been true, holds the office by a new patent, not merely by assignation. Will prove his own assertions by records. [*See April* 19.]

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April 26. Windsor. 70. Sec. Conway to Lord Zouch. The King thanks him for supplying his walk with deer, and for other loyal courtesies; he also requests that Sir Hen. Mainwaring may have leave to go as captain to Lord Rutland, in the ship which is to bring home the Prince and the Infanta. Advises his Lordship privately not to withstand this, as being a point on which the King is much set.

April 26. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 36.]

April 26. Bramsell. 71. Lord Zouch to Sec. Conway. Would have rejoiced in Sir Hen Mainwaring's preferment, but is displeased with his cunning practices, and beseeches leave to be his own lieutenant at Dover; has already sent Mainwaring a friendly dismissal, as he holds his place only on condition of giving it up when required. If Sir Henry is placed as a curb over him, would rather, being old and sickly, give up his place, and retire to private life.

April 26. 72. Copy of the above [by Nicholas].

April 26. Sandwich. 73. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to Lord Zouch. Six or seven score Irishmen, without a captain, arrived at Dover, desiring to go to the Archduke's country to serve as soldiers, but durst not sail thence, nor from Deal, where they next went, for fear of a Holland ship riding in the roads. They have no money, and live upon grass and roots. The inhabitants fear the violence to which hunger may drive them, and request steps for their removal. Capt. Powell is apprehended, but his men are in custody at the charge of the town, and crave release.

April 26. 74. Declaration by John Gyles and John Rowe, Bailiffs and Admirals of Great Yarmouth, of their seizure of a Spanish vessel laden with salt, brought into Yarmouth, and supposed to have been unjustly taken or found adrift at sea, and of their detention of those who brought her, until proof can be made of her ownership.

April 26. Windsor. Sec. Conway to Lord Chief Justice Hobart. The King approves his moderate course in staying judgment on an action brought against Mr. Bodwell. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 36.]

April 26. Windsor. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To give the present prepared for M. Pawell, who is now to return to the Prince Palatine. [*Ibid.*]

April 27. Windsor. The Same to the Earl of Salisbury. To proceed against the parties who have stolen a mare and a colt from Theobalds Park, and committed other disorders there. [*Ibid.*]

April 27. The Same to the Recorder of London. To the same effect. [*Ibid.*]

April 27. 75. Heneage Finch, Recorder of London, to Sec. Conway. Rockhill is out on bail, in hope of his aiding to secure Field, but shall be imprisoned again if he fail. Wonders at the daring of the attempts on [Theobalds] Park. Will inquire about the mare and colt stolen. Has fulfilled the command about Sir Ant. Pell's business.

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April 27. Windsor. Sec. Conway to Sir Rich. Harpur. To preserve the game in Derbyshire, and take up a setting dog, and send it to the King. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 37.]

April 27. St. Leonard's by Newark. 76. Elizabeth Countess of Exeter to Sec. Conway. Entreats his favour for his kinswoman, Lady Leek, who, for the good of her child, labours to stay Hampsom from selling Hawton to young Sir Fras. Leek. The help given must be secret, for fear of displeasing her aged husband.

April 27. St. Martin's Lane. 77. Sec. Calvert to the Same. Receipt of despatches. Desires to know His Majesty's pleasure as to what is to be written to Sir Isaac Wake touching the Archbp. of Spalato.

April 27. Windsor. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The Spanish Ambassador is to have audience in London. Sends the form of letters to be prepared to the Princes of Germany. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 37.]

April 28. St. Martin's Lane. 78. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Sends letters just brought by Mr. Clarke from Spain. The letters to Saxony and Brandenburg are drawn up, but need amendment.

April 28. Bramsell. 79. Lord Zouch to Sir Art. Mainwaring. Regrets that his brother, Sir Henry's misconduct and neglect of admonition quench his hopes of benefitting him. Has been obliged to deprive him of his office; but his wish to cultivate the friendship of Sir Arthur is not thereby lessened.

April 28. 80. Committee of Council [to the Council]. Report on the cause between Lord Stanhope and the posts, that they think the taxes on posts of 2*s.* in the pound for poundage, 40*s.* per man for orders, and fines on admission exorbitant, and larger than those paid by other officers; suggest reductions.

April 28. Bedford House. 81. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. His commission has been sent him, but returns it to Conway, that he may receive it anew from him, whom he believes to be his real friend.

April 28. Hampton Court. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. To attend the King at Whitehall to receive his commission. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 37.]

April 28. Hatfield. 82. Earl of Salisbury to Sec. Conway. Finds the examinations of Rockhill and others [on the depredations at Theobalds] so contradictory that he has postponed acquaintingthe King with them till his arrival there. In spite of all the pains taken, Field has not been apprehended. Is amazed at the stealing of Buckingham's mare and colt, and has taken steps for their recovery.

April 28. Hampton Court. Sec. Conway to Lord Brooke. To certify the present state of the fleet, and how far Capt. Love and the horses have got on their way. The King hopes his Lordship has been to Theobalds about the disorders committed there. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 37.]

April 28. Hampton Court. The Same to John Coke. To certify the state of the fleet. "A round proceeding against Sir Hen. Mervin." [*Ibid.*]

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April 29. Whitehall. Sec. Conway to John Coke. Concerning Sir Hen. Mervin's business; nominates commissioners therein. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 37.]

April 29. 83. John Coke to Sec. Conway. Capt. Love has sailed with the hackneys. The fleet is so full manned that some must be dismissed; it only waits the provision of fresh victuals. The Lord Treasurer objects to the requisitions sent in, though lessened to half what they were at first, and suggests the victuals being provided by the commanders of vessels, not by the officers of the household. Fears any further reduction can scarcely be borne. Thinks money should be given to spend in Spain, where victuals can be had more fresh, rather than take in the whole supply before starting.

April 29. Ordnance Office. 84. Estimate [by the Ordnance Officers] of further supplies needed for the eight ships and two pinnaces bound for Spain, omitted in the former schedule. Total 31*l.* 9*s.* 8*d.*

April 29. St. Bartholomew's. 85. Lord Chief Justice Hobart to Sec. Conway. Is delighted with the King's approbation of his moderation, and rejoices to think he has a friend in a Principal Secretary of State. Will attend to the particular business named.

April 29. Whitehall. Note of return to Sec. Calvert of letters directed to him from Sir Walter Aston, Sir Isaac Wake, and the Earl of Bristol. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 37.]

April 30. Whitehall. Sec. Conway to the Governor of the Muscovy Company. On behalf of Mr. Cocks to be their agent in Russia. [*Ibid.*]

April 30. Whitehall. The Same to the Governor, Consuls, Assistants, and Merchants of the said Company. To the same purport. [*Ibid.*]

April 30. Westminster. 86. Warrant for a grant to Chris. Earl of Anglesey, of Crown lands, value 400*l.* per ann., for the better support of the dignities conferred upon him.

April 30. Docquet of the above.

April 30. Declaration of the King's grant to John Traylman and Thos. Pearson, of lands, value 24*l.* a year, &c, in Birdall, Whitgift and Redness, co. York, contained in the annexation to the Crown, although the certificate from Council prescribed in the indenture of annexation has not been given. [*Docquet.*]

April 30. Grant to John Traylman and Thos. Pearson on rental, of lands, &c., in cos. Middlesex, York, Essex, and Derby, value 69*l.* 13*s.* 2*d.* per ann., in part of the value to be passed to the Lord Admiral. [*Docquet.*]

April 30. Warrant to pay to the Marquis of Buckingham, or to Thos. Fotherley, 2,000*l.*, as soon as it is paid into the Exchequer by John Traylman and Thos. Pearson, for manors passed to them, in part of the grant to Buckingham of lands, value 723*l.* 18*s.* 2½*d.* [*Docquet.*]

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April 30. Ampthill Little Park. 87. Two Justices of Bedfordshire to the Earl of Kelly. Send a paper brought to them "in the nature of a libel medling with State business," thinking it should be laid before some of the Council. *Inclose,*

87. 1. *Prophecy found in the Abbey of St. Benedict, in Norfolk, foretelling an alteration in religion to take place in* 1623, *and only to be cured by one of the name of the maiden Queen, Elizabeth.*

April 30. St. Mary's, Cambridge. 88. Orders by Dr. Jerome Beale, Vice Chancellor of Cambridge the Mayor of Cambridge and others, April 16 and April 30, binding over Hen. Wray, Thos. Hobson, and Chris. Burgayne to appear before Council, the former for making four houses out of three, in Walls Lane, and neglecting to restore them to their former condition when ordered; the two latter for neglecting orders to tile certain houses and cottageswhich are thatched, and to build brick chimneys. *Annexing,*

88. 1. *Bond of Hen. Wray in* 40*l.*, *to appear before Council on May* 14. *April* 16.

April 30. Gravesend. 89. Lady Carleton to Sir Dud. Carleton. Landed at nine o'clock. Hears reports that the Queen of Bohemia has been distracted. The Provost of Eton is dead, and some say Carleton will succeed him. The ships are going to fetch the Prince from Spain; the marriage is as good as concluded, &c.

April. Whitehall. 90. Earl of Arundel to the Same. Has urged the King to give Carleton the Provostship of Eton, on the ground of his long and able services, his wife being the daughter of Lady Savile, &c., but His Majesty has already promised the place to another; he declares his good opinion of Carleton, and promises him better preferment in time.

April. 91, 92. Bills of charges of Mundick Edwards, Messenger of the Chamber, for riding post from the Court at Newmarket to Audley End and London, and back. Two papers.

April? 93. Bill of charges of John Peniall and Mundick Edwards, for riding post from Newmarket to Yarmouth and Colchester, on the King's service.

April? 94. Notes [by Sir Robt. Heath] of a privilege claimed by the town of Hull, of a tax upon foreign [grain?] bought or sold in the town, to go towards the expenses of keeping up their piers and fortifications, which tax has been contested with them by the city of York.

April. 95. Notes of extraordinary grants, gifts, and honours conferred on Lord Digby, Earl of Bristol, since August 1620.

April? 96. Journal, &c. of the manner of the arrival and magnificent entertainment given to the Prince of Great Britain by the King of Spain, in his Court at Madrid, from his arrival on March 7 to March 18. London, printed by John Haviland for W. Barrett.

April? 97. Brief account of the arrival of the Prince at Madrid, and of his reception and entertainment [similar in substance to the printed relation].

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May 1. Theobalds. 1. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Treasurer. The King wishes him to send a list of such lands and residences as will be suitable to be assigned to the Infanta for her jointure, that deliberation may be had thereon.

May 1. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 38.]

May 1. [Theobalds.] 2. [The Same] to Sec. Calvert. The King wishes the articles to be hastened for his signature, and certain letters to be drawn up. The Lord Treasurer is to prepare for the jointure. Sec. Calvert is to send him the information he laid before Council thereon.

May 1. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 38.]

May 2. [Theobalds.] 3. [The Same] to the Lord Treasurer. He is to send at once a note, not in form, but one that may be sent to Spain, of some 50,000*l.* or 60,000*l.*, from which the jointure of 30,000*l.* a year may be taken. St. James's, Somerset House, Oatlands, and Nonsuch are the residences His Majesty has named.

May 2. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 38.]

May 2. Chelsea. 4. Lord Treasurer Middlesex to Sec. Conway. Can do nothing about the Infanta's jointure without knowing what is already done in treaty, and what is to be the nature of the assignments made. Will wait on the King with abstracts of revenue, precedents, &c. Thinks the subject should be laid before the Commissioners for the Spanish business.

May 2. St. Martin's Lane. 5. Sec. Calvert to [the Same]. Transmits the King's letters to the Electors of Saxony and Brandenburg, which the Spanish Ambassador has seen and approved. The Attorney General wants to know whether the King still desires a bill to be preferred in the Star Chamber against the Earl of Oxford. The French Ambassador wishes His Majesty to be reminded to punish Sir Hen. Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John.

May 2. [Theobalds.] 6. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. The Earl of Oxford's business must remain till the King comes to town. The French Ambassador is to be told that His Majesty thinks the parties [Sir Hen. Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John] guilty, and has appointed noble Commissioners to see justice done. With the names of the Commissioners. Indorsed as a draft of the letter to Sec. Calvert. No. 2.

May 2. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 38.]

May 3. 7. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Has given all his notes about the Infanta's jointure to the Lord Treasurer, but his Lordship cannot at present give satisfaction therein. In a conference three years ago, 60,000*l.* per ann. was proposed for her, in case she lived to be Queen.

May 3. Theobalds. 8. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. His Majesty desires that Mr. Clarke may have recompence for his journey from Spain, and for his return, being a Clerk of the Council, and a confidential messenger, who brings much on credence.

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May 3. St. Martin's. 9. Sir Art. Mainwaring to Lord Zouch. Cannot intercede for his brother Sir Henry, on account of a coldness between them, but hopes that, by his endeavours, he may still regain his Lordship's good opinion.

May 3. Penheal. 10. Sir John Specott, High Sheriff of Cornwall, to the Council. Forwards the certificates of some of the justices on the orders for preventing dearth of grain. *Incloses,*

10. I. *Justices of the Hundred of Lesnewth to the High Sheriff. There is great lack of corn for Botreax Castle market; the prices are high and likely to increase, the survey having made known the general want. Launceston, March* 13.

10. II. *Justices of the Hundred of Trigg to the Same. To the same effect. Lack of supply for Bodmin market. Launceston, March* 13.

10. III. *Justices of Penwith and Kerrier to the Same. Great lack of supply for their four markets; prices will rise, unless foreign corn comes in. April* 1.

May 3. London. 11. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. The King kept St. George's Day at Windsor; he was carried in a chair, owing to weakness in his legs, but is otherwise well. Sec. Conway was there, gallantly attired in white hat and feather. The King removed to Hampton Court, and went a-maying to Theobalds; he passed through a muster of 6,000 men with little applause, but the firing terrified Sec. Conway's horses. The Court removes to Greenwich. Report that the marriage conditions are to be toleration of Catholics, abandonment of the Hollanders, permission for Spanish vessels to victual in English ports, and a jointure for the Infanta of 8,000*l.* for every 100,000*l.* of the 600,000*l.* she brings. The Spanish Ambassador has surveyed the lodgings appointed for her at Denmark House and St. James's, and ordered a new chapel at each place, which Inigo Jones is to prepare with great costliness; the Savoy Chapel is to be given up to her household. The Prince's ship is as richly furnished as if it were to receive a goddess. There is great scarcity at Madrid, so that the Prince's servants are not allowed to go further than Burgos. After the London bonfires, Oxford lit fires and rang bells, and wrote verses in honour of the match. Mrs. Thornax, niece of the Duchess of Lenox, is married to Sir Robt. Napier's son.

May 5. St. Alban's. 12. Jas. Rolfe to Wm. Boswell. States that there have been no fines paid for commutation or mitigation of penance, since the consecration of the present Bishop, who has granted the moiety thereof for the repair of Lincoln Cathedral. The collection for the benevolence in his jurisdiction is 129*l.* 12*s.* 8*d.*; that for the French Protestants 41*l.* 13*s.* 4*d.* For want of printed letters, some parishes are behind hand in their contributions.

May 5. [Greenwich.] 13. [Sec. Conway] to Lord Zouch. The King accepts his obedient zeal, and will not interfere with his purpose of displacing Sir Hen. Mainwaring from the Lieutenancy of Dover Castle, and residing

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there himself, till he can find a Lieutenant worthy of the charge. Applauds his intention in reference to the Knight Marshal [Sir Edw. Zouch, of making him his heir].

May 5. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 38.]

May 5. Theobalds. 14. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Told the Venetian Ambassador, who wants to beg an English ship to convey an Ambassador of their State from Calais to Holland, that the present great demand for shipping would probably prevent it. Sends the treaty to be signed by such of the Commissioners as are at Court.

May 5. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Returns certain letters specified. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 39.]

May 5. Greenwich. The Same to [Thos.] Read, Latin Secretary. Returns a letter from the King to the King of Denmark, for alteration. [*Ibid.*]

May 5. Greenwich. 15. The Same to Sir Thos. Edmondes. To take from the Tower, and bring to Court, in company with Lord Brooke, Auditor Gofton, and Geo. Herriot, the Portugal diamond, the King's best hatband of diamonds, the best rope of pearls, and other jewels.

May 6. Greenwich. The Same to Lord Brooke. To fetch certain jewels from the Tower, and bring them to the King. Mr. Herriot is also to bring some that are in his custody. With note of letters of the like tenor to the Treasurer and Chancellor of the Exchequer. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 39.]

May 6 [Greenwich.] 16. The Same to Geo. Herriot. To accompany Lord Brooke to Court, with the jewels intended for a present to the Spanish Marquis, who comes as Ambassador.

May 6. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 39.]

May 6. Greenwich. The Same to Sec. Calvert. Concerning a request that one of the King's ships may fetch over the Venetian Ambassador, who is coming. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

May 6. Greenwich. The Same to the Same. To send to the King the letters received through Gresley from the Earl of Carlisle, Sir Walter Aston, and Sir Edw. Herbert. [*Ibid.*]

May 7. 17. Examination of Deodatus Buckeridge. Killed several hind calves in Windsor Park, some years ago, but none since, and is heartily sorry for his offence.

May 7. Edinburgh. 18. [Council of Scotland] to the King. Detail the particulars of an attack by two Holland vessels on a Dunkirk ship in Leith harbour, to which they set fire, in spite of the remonstrances of the Council. Difficulty in persuading the people of Edinburgh and Leith to act against the Hollanders.

May 7. 19. Copy of the above.

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May [7 ?] 20. Relation, as sent to the King by the Council of Scotland, of the burning of a ship of Dunkirk by the Hollanders, in Leith harbour. The ship ran aground near; the two Dutch vessels fired upon her, and returned a scornful answer to the Council, who sent to remonstrate with them. The crew were obliged to leave the ship, when the Hollanders came on board, did much damage, and planted the Prince of Orange's colours. The Council sent to relieve her, on which they retired, but returned again, turned out the company left in charge of the vessel, took down the English colours that had been hoisted, set her on fire, and then got away. Several of their shots reached Leith pier, and one man was killed.

[May 7.] 21. French translation of the above, with a slight omission.

May 7. St. Martin's Lane. 22. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Transmits despatches. The Spanish Ambassador states that the Marquis of St. Germain is on his way to England, and Don Carlos requests ships for transport of him and his train.

May 8. Theobalds. 23. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. The King wishes copies of certain letters to be sent to Scotland. Sir Edw. Herbert is to be told that His Majesty does not look upon the contribution requested towards building a church at Charenton as a State affair, and leaves it to his discretion, being willing, were times better, to show his royal goodness. The Navy Commissioners are to provide ships for convoy of the Ambassador.

May 8. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 40.]

May 8. Theobalds. The Same to the Lord Chamberlain. On the lodgings to be provided for the Ambassador coming from Spain. Particularly requests that he [Conway] may be provided with better lodgings than he has hitherto had. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

May 8. Theobalds. The Same to Sir Edw. Sackville. Acquaints him with the King's pleasure concerning a petition from the Virginia Company, which he was appointed to deliver to His Majesty. [*Ibid.*]

May 8. Theobalds. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To hasten the commission for the Virginia Company in passing the Seals, and to order the Commissioners to expedite the business. [*Ibid.*]

May 8. 24. Edw. Popham, High Sheriff of Somersetshire, to the Council. Transmits certificates of the justices relative to grain, &c. *Incloses,*

24 I. *Certificate of the Justices for the hundreds of Catsash, Horethorne, Bruton, and Norton Ferris, of the store of corn, of suppression of alehouses, maltsters, &c. Feb.* 10.

24. II. *Certificate of the Justices of the eastern division of the county, of the store of corn in the hundred of Portbury, and of its price. Fawlands Cross, Feb.* 19.

24. III. *Certificate for the hundred of Martock and seven others. Grain is plentiful, but the prices rather high. The poor do not complain much as yet. Feb.* 28.

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24. iv. *Certificate from the Mayor, &c. of Bridgewater. The supply of corn in the town is sufficient, and that of beans and peas so plentiful that some are allowed to be carried to Bristol. Have suppressed alehouses, &c. Bridgewater, Feb.* 28.

24. v. *Certificate for the hundreds of Chew, Chewton, and Keynsham. The city of Bristol claims right to licence certain badgers. The stores of corn are moderate, but the poor, for want of work, can scarcely afford the prices. March* 3.

24. vi. *Certificate for the hundreds of Taunton and Taunton Dean, and North Curry. Supply is plentiful, but prices high.*

24. vii. *Justices of the hundreds of Williton and Freemanners, and Carhampton to the High Sheriff. The corn will last till harvest. Have suppressed maltsters and alehouses, taken orders for setting the poor to work, &c. March* 20.

24. viii. *Justices of the hundred of Hartcliffe and Bedminster to the High Sheriff. There are only a few badgers of corn, who buy for Bristol; the market is well supplied, and the prices abating. Long Ashton, March* 23.

24. ix. *Certificate of Edw. Lancaster, Justice for the hundreds of Milverton and part of Kingsbury. Has attended almost every market-day to weigh the bread, seen that the millers do not make exactions on the poor, ordered no malt to be made but of oats, &c. The corn is sufficient to last till harvest. March* 27.

24. x. *Certificate by the Justices for the hundreds of Winterstoke, Bempstone, and Brent, of the store of corn and its prices. March* 31.

24. xi. *Certificate for Huntspill and Puriton, and other hundreds. In some places there is corn to spare, and the others are well supplied.*

24. xii. *Certificate for Frome and other hundreds. The country about is chiefly woodland and forest, and gains supplies from Wiltshire. Corn being scarce, have suppressed many alehouses and all maltsters. There are many poor employed in clothmaking. Frome, April* 16.

May 8. 25. Lease of certain messuages and tenements in Old Fish Street, London, by Chris. Ellis and Joan, his wife, to John Stringer, all of London.

May 9. Dover Castle. 26. Rich. Marsh to the Mayors, &c. of the towns of the Cinque Ports. Informs them that Lord Zouch has ordered a public revocation of the office of Lieutenancy of Dover Castle from Sir Hen. Mainwaring, and that the office is now resumed into his Lordship's own hands.

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May 9. London. 27. Dud. Carleton to Sir Dud. Carleton. The King is annoyed about ships being required for Scotland, when they are wanted for Spain. The Scotch affair is in Sec. Conway's hands. The Lord Treasurer received Lady Carleton very well, and promised her money; she mentioned the Provostship of Eton, but he said it must lie over till Buckingham's return. Sir Robt. Ayton has offered his pension of 500*l.* a year for it. Lady Hatton talks of visiting the Hague. The King keeps close all letters from Spain; difficulties are suspected.

May 9. Theobalds. 28. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Fears his Countess will hardly part with Bedford House. Has given order for the ships to fall down to the Downs.

May 9. [Theobalds.] 29. [Sec. Conway] to the Earl of Rutland. To be careful to expedite the ships to the Downs. The King trusts that Sir Fras. Steward's ship is already in the Downs, and he hastening to his Majesty.

May 9. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 40.]

May 9. Note of foreign letters returned to Sec. Calvert. [*Ibid.*]

May 10. His Majesty's Ship Antelope. 30. Capt. Thos. Love to Sec. Conway. Has taken Sir John Wentworth and his servant on board, &c., and will convey the ship with the horses to St. Andrea, as soon as winds, &c. permit. Has taken in the two Dutchmen, as permitted.

May 10. Edinburgh. 31. Earl of Melrose to Visct. Annandale. The Hollanders who fired at the Dunkirk ship killed one person on Leith pier. The people of Leith had encouraged the Hollanders to seize the vessel.

May 10. Exeter. 32. Sir Edm. Fortescue, High Sheriff of Devonshire, [to the Council]. Sends the certificates of the justices relative to their proceedings for preventing the dearth of corn. *Incloses,*

32. I. *Justices of the hundreds of South Molton, North Tawton, and Witheridge to the High Sheriff. Find, from the returns of the constables, that the supply of grain in the two markets of South Molton and Chumleigh is plentiful. Have suppressed maltsters and alehouses. Chumleigh, Feb.* 28.

32. II. *The Same to the Same. Send their second report, recording a reduction in prices, and general attention to the King's orders. April* 11.

32. III. *Justices of the hundreds of Crediton, West Budleigh, and Wonford to the Same. State the prices of corn at Crediton market. One of them attends weekly to see the poor served at under prices. March* 15.

32. IV. *The Same to the Same. The prices are somewhat higher, but the supply tolerable. Are careful to suppress maltsters, engrossers of corn, &c. April* 24.

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32. V.—XXXIV. *Returns from the Constables, &c. of thirty parishes in Devonshire, of the quantities of corn in the several parishes, with the names of the owners. Thirty papers.*

May 10. Hereford. 33. Sir Sam. Aubrey, High Sheriff of Herefordshire, to the Council. Sends certificates concerning the prices of corn and grain. *Incloses,*

33. I. *Certificate of the Justices of the hundred of Huntington. At Kingston market the prices of corn, as stated, are rather lowering. March* 31.

33. II. *Certificate of the Justices of Grimsworth, and four other hundreds of Herefordshire, to the High Sheriff. Grain is somewhat lowered in price, and the markets reasonably supplied. April* 2.

May 13. Serjeants' Inn. 34. Sir Edw. Bromley to Lord ——. Reprieved Fras. Ley at the Nottingham Assizes, because the evidence of his supposed murder of Ely Moulton was insufficient.

May 13. 35. Sir Peter Heyman to Lord Zouch. Requests his consent to a proposed mediation of the dispute on the ill conduct of Sir Thos. Wilsford towards Mr. Ward, Mayor of Dover; Sir Thomas is to make fitting reparation to his Lordship.

May 13. 36. Heneage Finch, Recorder of London, to the Earl of Salisbury. Advises that Roger White, brother-in-law of Field, at whose house he was taken before he made his last escape, be bound over to appear, unless he causes Field to be apprehended, &c. *Incloses,*

36. I. *Examination of Roger White, of Woolwich, co. Kent. Hen. Field, under keeper of Theobalds Park, is his brother-in-law, and came to him on Thursday last, to say he had escaped, and wished to travel to Spain. Knew nothing of his stealing deer till he was in gaol. Never received venison from him. Rockhill sent to him to inquire after Field. May* 13.

May 13. [Greenwich.] 37. [Sec. Conway] to the Recorder of London. Sends White with his examinations; he is to be confronted with Rockhill, examined further, and then sent to the Earl of Salisbury. Minute.

May 13. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 41.]

May 13. [Greenwich.] 38. [The Same] to the Earl of Salisbury. Sends [Roger] White and his examination, that his Lordship may do what he thinks best for discovery of his intelligence with Field, and of the means of apprehending Field.

May 13. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 41.]

May 13. Greenwich. The Same to Buckingham. Sends a letter from the Countess of Denbigh; with a note, that in the packet are letters from the Countess to Mr. Porter, from the Earl of Northampton to Lord Compton,

several letters from the Secretary, and one to Sir Walter Aston requesting the others to be delivered. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 41.]

May 13. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Lord Treasurer. To send away the jewels which Sir Fras. Steward is to carry. [*Ibid.*]

May 13. [Greenwich.] 39. [The Same] to the Lord Treasurer. Hesitates to apply for money in this necessitous time, not having the King's "sweetness, grace, and power" of expressing himself; but Sir Fras. Steward having a journey to take, and having spent all his own money, his Majesty, while acknowledging the Treasurer's oppressive loads and "spiritfull indeavours" under them, requests rather than commands him to send 200*l.*, or at least 100*l.*, that night to Sir Fras. Steward. Thinks "when a gracious King is earnest, and a worthie gentleman's wants are pressing, it becomes a great Treasurer to do his utmost."

May 13. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 41.]

May 14. [Greenwich.] 40. [The Same] to the Same. Sir Fras. Steward waits only the 200*l.* promised by his Lordship to sail with this tide. Requests him to send it at once.

May 14. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 42.]

May 14. Greenwich. 41. Visct. Annandale to Sec. Conway. The King commands the Treasurer to send, before three o'clock, 200*l.* for Sir Fras. Steward, or at least Conway is to see that he has 100*l.*

May 14. Greenwich. Instructions for Sir Fras. Steward in his journey to Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 42.]

May 14. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Earl Marshal and Lord Chamberlain. To clear St. James's and Denmark House from all who dwell or lodge there, and thus hinder the preparing and keeping them sweet, against the arrival of the Prince and the Infanta. [*Ibid., p.* 41.]

May 14. Greenwich. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To inform the Spanish Ambassador of the King's care to give him satisfaction. The Council is to assemble about the ships burnt in Scotland. The Spanish courier has been robbed, and therefore Sir John Hippisley's man is appointed to carry the letters to Spain. [*Ibid.*]

May 14. St. Martin's Lane. 42. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. The Spanish Ambassador thanks the King for his sense of the wrong done to his master in the burning of the ship in Leith harbour, and begs that all its artillery, &c. may be placed in safe and responsible hands, and transferred to the other ship at Aberdeen, and all the crew be permitted to go there. Sends a plan of the chapel at St. James's; that at Denmark House will be similar, but larger.

May 14. Ordnance Office. 43. Estimate [by the Ordnance Officers] of emptions to be provided for gunners' stores for the ship Phœnix, to be employed on the coast of Ireland, and the Happy Entrance in the North Seas. Total, 91*l.* 15*s.* 8*d.*

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May 14. Salisbury House. 44. Earl of Salisbury to Sec. Conway. Sends another examination of White, which contains a few added particulars. Has ordered the release on bail of Rockhill, who received much venison from Field, on his promise to do his utmost for Field's apprehension.

44. I. *Examination of Roger White, of Woolwich. Particulars of visits paid him by Hen. Field the past fortnight. Cannot guess where he is now. May* 14.

May 14. St. Martin's Lane. 45. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The King had desired the election of discreet and responsible officers for the Virginia Company, but he now wishes the new elections to be postponed. Lord Southampton, the present Treasurer, is to be informed of this change.

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May 15. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. On his letter to the Earl of Southampton about the Virginia Company. Directions for letters to Scotland, about the burnt ship; the letters thence are to be communicated to Council. Arrival of the Earl of Carlisle. The King is pleased with the Spanish Ambassador's acceptance of his message. The post for Spain is to be hastened. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 42.]

May 15. Warrant to pay to Lord Clifford, for repair of the gaol at Newcastle-on-Tyne, 100*l.*, to be levied from recognizances forfeited at the assizes there. [*Docquet.*]

May 15. Warrant for payment of 1,928*l.* to the Treasurer and Victuallers of the Navy, for equipment of the Happy Entrance, to be sent on three months' extraordinary service to the coast of Scotland. [*Docquet.*]

May 15. Grant to Adam Thorogood of pardon for a robbery on Wm. and Mary Porter. [*Docquet.*]

May 15. Greenwich. 1. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. Mr. Read [Latin Secretary] is to prepare a letter from the King to the King of Spain, thanking him for his courteous letter, and especially for his intended gift of an elephant, the only one in his kingdom, and offering him anything that would be acceptable to him in return. Returns a warrant for 130*l.* for Sir John Burgh, late governor of Frankenthal.

May 15. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 42.]

May 15. Greenwich. 2. The Same to the Council. To require the Prince's counsel, in the King's name, to cause St. James's and Denmark House to be effectually cleared of all indwellers who hinder the preparations for the reception of the Prince and the Infanta. The King requests their Lordships to further these preparations.

May 15. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 42.]

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May 15. Taynard's Castle. 3. Earl of Pembroke to the Justices of the south parts of Wiltshire. Many disorders arise from pilfering vagabonds having no place in which, either to be set to work or punished, nearer than Devizes. Urges them to fix on some convenient place for building a house of correction, to give ease to the county, now oppressed with the insolencies of vagabond multitudes. With request subjoined that the Council would give letters to enforce this suggestion.

May 15. [Greenwich.] 4. [Sec. Conway] to the High Sheriff and Justices of Kent. The King is much displeased with a highway robbery near Dartford, on a [Spanish] post, sent by his Majesty with express letters, who was wounded and had 100*l.* taken from him; the offence is aggravated by being committed on the person of a post, who is a sort of ambassador. The surety of the highways being necessary for commerce, they are diligently to enforce the laws thereon, discover and punish the offenders if possible, and order restitution of the money stolen, by the county or hundred in which the robbery occurred. His Majesty requires an account of their proceedings thereon. With note of a similar letter to the High Sheriff and Justices of Essex.

May 15. Minute of the above letters. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 42.]

May [15]. [Greenwich.] 5. Relation of the proceedings of Capt. Moy Lambert and Capt. Bartholomew, in carrying away, contrary to their promise, a Dutch pirate vessel that was chased into Cowes Harbour, the officers of which were imprisoned in Cowes Castle, but could not be given up to the Dutch, without further knowledge of their case.

May 15. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 44.]

May 15. St. Martin's Lane. 6. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Desires a copy of the King's letter to the Lord Chancellor and Secretary of Scotland, that the Spanish Ambassador may see it.

May 16. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Sends a copy of the King's letter to Scotland, about the burnt ship. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 43.]

May 16. Council Chamber. 7. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Has acquainted the Lords with the affair of the burning of the Dunkirk ship at Leith; they request that, as it is a weighty business, it may be discussed in the King's presence.

May 16. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Mayor of Dover. Complaint is made to the King of unreasonable charges for transport from Dover, exacted from those employed by his Majesty into foreign parts; he is to take order therein, not only on particular complaints made to him, but for removal of all just cause of complaint. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 43.]

May 16. Greenwich. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The King wishes him to deal effectually with the Treasurer, to send the moneys due to Sir Walter Aston. [*Ibid.*]

May 16. Greenwich. The Same to the Justices of Middlesex. Requests them to appoint watchers and search for [Hen.] Field. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 43.]

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May 16. Madrid. 8. Endymion Porter to his wife. Wishes not to be put in mind of any unkindness between them; sends her a jewel, which she may pawn if she has no more credit. Lady [Buckingham] promised to supply her wants.

May 16. Madrid. 9. The Same to the Same. Has sent her a jewel by Mr. Knowles, worth some hundred pounds. Hears that in his absence she is merry with other young men.

May 17. Donington. 10. Earl of Huntingdon to the Council. Has viewed the trained bands [of Leicestershire]; the foot are complete, but the greater part of the eighty horse are wanting, many inhabitants being new, and few keeping horses fit for the King's service; hopes by returning the names of some, to cause a reformation in the rest. *Incloses,*

10. 1. *List of eight knights and gentlemen who have not shown suitable horses [at the musters].*

May 17. London. 11. Chamberlain to [Carleton]. Sends Sir Robt. Ayton's verses about Eton, his epitaph on Thos. Murray, and his complaint of his fortune, which dwells chiefly on a stir making to apprehend certain fellows who stole deer from Theobalds Park last year, to the King's great indignation. Sir Hen. Fiennes, half brother to the late Earl of Berkshire, is fined 2,000*l.*, for contracting a marriage, *de futuro*, before his wife's death. A bill is filed in the Star Chamber against the Earl of Oxford, for scandalous speeches against Government, probably to show that he has not been so long imprisoned on light grounds. Lord St. John's eldest son is married to the Earl of Bridgewater's eldest daughter. Capt. Burroughs [Burgh] is well received by His Majesty, who knighted him, and also young Visct. Doncaster. The Earl of Carlisle has returned from Spain, and has a warrant for a round sum, though report says that he and the Earl of Bristol were kept strangers to the business, which was managed only by the Prince and Buckingham, and that the King keeps all close, and burns the letters as fast as he reads them. Haste is made to send Buckingham's patent of Dukedom, that it may arrive before the marriage. The vulgar will not be persuaded that there do not still remain many difficulties on terms about religion, assurance for the jointure, &c. The Duke of Lenox is to be Duke of Richmond, with precedence over Buckingham, except in his office of Admiral, and has also a grant of Ely House, the Bp. of Ely removing to the Earl of Hertford's house in Canon Row.

May 17. Polesworth. 12. Sir Hen. Goodere to Sec. Conway. Begs him to forward two packets into Spain, to the Lord Admiral and Earl of Bristol, inclosing a short admiration in verse by himself, of the Prince's journey. *Incloses,*

12. 1. *Poem, by Sir Hen. Goodere, on the Prince's journey to Spain, defending it against those who impugn it on the grounds of the national hatred between the countries, of the toleration to Popery likely to arise from the match, of the secrecy of the undertaking, &c., wishing a speedy and happy return to him, in company with his bride. With an epistle dedicatory to the Prince.*

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May 17. Bedford House. 13. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Understands the King is angry that the ships are fallen no lower down. The tides are adverse, but it is hoped they will get further down to-day.

May 17. [Greenwich.] 14. Sec. Conway to the Bp. of Coventry and Lichfield. Lord Gerard having left by will his two choicest horses to the Prince, His Majesty requests the Bishop, who has taken the best horse as a heriot, to give it up to M. St. Antoine, the Prince's rider, and to suffer him to choose another horse, after which the Bishop can take the best that remains.

May 17. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 43.]

May 17. Greenwich. The Same to M. Beaulieu. To prepare a letter to the Infanta for restitution of goods belonging to Englishmen, taken by her ships at sea, and detained because they were in a Dutch vessel. [*Ibid., p.* 44.]

May 18. Greenwich. The Same to the Mayor, &c. of Newcastle. To admit Mr. Coniers to the place of schoolmaster there, now void. [*Ibid.*]

May 19. Theobalds. 15. J. Douglas to Sir Geo. Calvert. The King wishes the Council to be acquainted with the contents of a letter inclosed.

May 19. 16. Certificate of the Justices of Wirksworth Wapentake, Derbyshire, as to the quantity of corn within the hundred. Have ordered the weekly supply of the market, but the difference of measures used at different markets hinders the service.

May 19. London. 17. Jehan de Beaulieu to Sec. Conway. Submits the despatch [to the Infanta] for alteration if needful. Has thought it right to dwell on the violation of franchise as the strongest point for the plaintiffs, as else the King would have to demand in their behalf favour rather than justice. French.

May 20. Theobalds. 18. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Keeper. Requests favour for the petition of Abm. Baker, who is compelled by foul practices to sue in his court "in formâ pauperis."

May 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 44.]

May 20. St. Martin's Lane. 19. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. Will inquire about the departure of the ships, and assemble the Commissioners about the fresh victuals. Sends letters from Sir Dud. Carleton about the late insolency committed in Scotland. Orders are given for all things needful for the reception of the Prince and the Infanta. Sends letters of thanks from certain Polish nobles, whose liberation from the Turks has been procured by Sir Thos. Roe at Constantinople.

May ? 20. Lord Wallingford to the Same. Desires that in his Lady's pass for the Spa, she may have licence to take sixteen horses with her, none but the King having the power to grant such licence, in the absence of the Master of the Horse.

May 20. Licence to Lady Wallingford to go to the Spa for six months; with a licence for her to take over eight coach horses, dated May 28, and her safe conduct, May 31. [*Minute, Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 18.]

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May 20. Oldcastle. 21. Sir Robt. Harley to Sec. Conway. Requests him to add 400*l.* to the portion intended for his daughter, on marriage with his [Harley's] son, &c.

May 20. Hampton Court. 22. Earl of Nottingham to the Archbp. of Canterbury. John Monson, son of Sir Wm. Monson, is a dangerous Papist; neither Garnet, Constable, nor Tobie Mathew is comparable to him. He asserts openly that the King is a Papist at heart, words for which Watson was executed at Winchester, and delights in striving to pervert people. Has turned him out of his house for tampering with a relative, but thinks it his duty, as Lieutenant of the shire, to inform against him.

May 21. Greenwich. 23. The King to the Dean and Canons of Windsor. Requests a respite for three months for Robt. Maxwell and Edw. Aldred, to show their right to the lease of the parsonages of Puriton and Woollavington, Aldred being at present prisoner in the Fleet, and therefore unable to produce his proofs.

[May 21.] 24. List of persons at Newcastle, headed by Sir Wm. Selby, Mayor, who have combined to restrain the free sale of coal. With note of a pass to the Spa for Mrs. Ursula Wildgoose.

May 21. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sir Art. Ingram. Concerning the sale of English alum in the Low Countries. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 44.]

May 22. Madrid. 25. Sir Geo. Goring to Sec. Conway. Has heard Conway spoken of favourably by Buckingham, who is the bravest, worthiest soul alive, and an honour to the land that bred him.

May 23. St. Martin's Lane. 26. Sec. Calvert to [the Same]. The Spanish Ambassador speaks passionately of the wrong offered to the King by the Holland Captains, and hopes the ships will at once be sent to rescue the Dunkirker in Aberdeen. The Attorney will expedite the lieutenancies.

May 23. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To acquaint the Spanish Ambassador with the offers of the Hollanders about the Dunkirk ships in Scotland. To despatch the treaty, and to give orders in the two points to be handled at Council, according to the King's directions. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 44.]

May 23. Greenwich. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To prepare a grant of a pension of 500*l.* a year to Mrs. Murray and her son, for their lives. [*Ibid.*]

May 23. Greenwich. The Same to the Clerk of the Signet. Not to pass a grant of a forfeiture of Wm. Robinson and five others, who stand charged with a felony in Yorkshire, the King having bestowed it on Gabriel Hippisley, his Equerry, in case they are convicted. [*Ibid., p.* 45.]

May 23. St. Martin's Lane. 27. Sec. Calvert to [Sec. Conway]. The Spanish Ambassador desires an audience. The commisson for fees is retarded by other business. Sends foreign despatches.

May [23?] Warrant for Jas. Pringle to transport six horses to the Low Countries, for the use of the King's daughter. [*Minute, Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 18.]

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May [23 ?] Warrant for Sir Fras. Henderson to export three horses to the Low Countries. [*Minute, Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 18.]

May 23. Licence for Sir Edw. Sackville to travel for three years. [*Ibid.*]

May 24. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Clerk of the Signet. Caveat for the passing of a grant of forfeitures in Wales. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 45.]

May 24. Greenwich. The Same to Sec. Calvert. The King will give audience to the Spanish Ambassador on Monday afternoon. [*Ibid.*]

May 25. 28. Sir Edw. Villiers to Sec. Conway. Thanks for favour. Desires him to perfect what he has so nobly begun.

May 25. 29. Earl of Southampton to the Same. The Captain of Cowes Castle asks leave to set at liberty the Dutch prisoners left by Lambert, unless the States' Ambassador will take some order for their charges, they being at the Captain's expense.

May 25. London. 30. Anna Lady Carleton to Sir Dud. Carleton. Private business. Has received great kindness from all sorts of people, especially the Duke and Duchess of Richmond, and Duchess of Buckingham. The Lord Treasurer promises to remit Carleton 1,000*l.* Houses in town are cheap, owing to the proclamation for removal to the country.

May 25. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. To order the ships to weigh anchor at once, to hasten away before the wind changes, and to touch at no port before the Groyne. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 45.]

May 25. Bedford House. 31. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Will have infinite trouble if the ships are, as ordered, to go to sea at once, and not touch at any port again. Begs leave to send his apparel, &c., on board to-morrow, and follow himself on Thursday.

May 26. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. Urges him strongly to put to sea at once. The King will send the apparel, &c., at his own expense, by land or water, to St. Helen's Point or Causon Bay, where it can be taken in. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 45.]

May 26. London. 32. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Desires instructions to guide him in his voyage, especially as to his conduct if he should fall in with any vessels contesting, there being rumours of great fleets abroad.

May 26. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. Instructions how to conduct himself towards any fleet he may find in fight at sea. He is to send a note of the ships, captains, and passengers. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 45.]

May 26. Greenwich. Note that this afternoon Mr. Beeland was sent to carry to the Earl of Rutland his instructions, signed. [*Ibid.*]

[May 26.] 33. Private instructions from the King for the Earl of Rutland, on his journey to Spain, to bring home the Prince and the Infanta Donna Maria. To choose good captains, and have the ships sweet and well provided with victuals. To defer to the authority of Buckingham, as Lord High Admiral, in case he comes on board. To be discreet in the exercise of the powers given him to make use of English men-of-war or merchants whom he meets, and to be careful to avoid quarrels

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among his honourable passengers, such being very dangerous where persons are crowded together on shipboard. To part any Spanish and Dutch ships found fighting, and to protect those of either party who request it. To make for the Groyne, unless otherwise commanded by the Prince or Admiral, and, in returning, to sail for Southampton, where the Prince and Infanta are to land, unless the Prince specially choose some other place, &c., &c.

[May 26.] 34. Copy of the greater portion of the above.

May 26. 35. The Council to the Barons of the Exchequer. To free Sir Thos. Wilson from an unjust suit commenced against him by John Hall, the ground of the suit being service done for His Majesty, by command of Council.

May 26. 36. Indenture of title to houses, lands, &c. in Fishtoft, Friston, and Boston, co. Lincoln, sold by Edw. Coppinger, of Kirklington, co. Notts, to Ambrose and Robt. Randolph, of London. [*The delivery of this deed is attested by the servants of John Milton, Scrivener.*]

May 26. Hague. 37. Project, by Johannes Van den Broeck, for the King to realize a large revenue, by establishing an office of the Petty Seal; with precedents, arguments in its favour, and regulations proposed thereon. French.

May 26. Eccleshall Castle. 38. Thos. Morton, Bp. of Coventry and Lichfield, to Sec. Conway. Before receiving the King's command, intended to present to the Prince the late Lord Gerard's best horse, Captain, but wishes it to be understood that it belongs of right to him, and was so acknowledged by the late Lord, and to be accepted as a present from him.

May 27. Madrid. 39. Lord Kensington to [the Same]. Extravagant encomiums of Buckingham, that day acknowledged Duke, and of the Prince; praising especially their firmness in resisting unfit conditions for the match. The Duke sheds tears at his absence from the King.

May 27. [Greenwich]. 40. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. The King wishes timely preparation to be made for the treaty in Germany. The small committee for the Palatinate is to decide on the fittest commissioners for it, and His Majesty's son-in-law to have notice of the time and place of their meeting, that he may send a qualified person to attend to his interests. The Prince and Duke are nobly treated, the main business prospering, disputes few, the Spanish Ambassador set off, and preparations hastening.

May 27. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 46.]

May 27. Greenwich. The Same to the Earl of Rutland. The King is extremely anxious for him to hasten away, especially since Lord Leppington's arrival. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

May 27. Greenwich. The Same to the Lord Treasurer. To despatch the victual ships to Plymouth. To order the chapel to be hastened, and some works done about the Mews, according to directions which Lord Leppington will give. The Ambassador from Spain is expected shortly. [*Ibid.*]

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May 27. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Lord Chamberlain. Requests his attention to expedite the chapel, the works in the mews, and the preparations against the Ambassador's coming. Heads of the news brought from Spain by Lord Leppington. Request about his own lodgings at Whitehall. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 46.]

May 27. 41. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. To send his letters to Sandwich, where he will be to-night, and also his orders.

May 27. 42. Names of the ten ships sent for Spain, with account of their ordnance and number of men.

May 27. 43. Peter Proby, Lord Mayor, and the Aldermen of London, to the Council. Have examined and approve of certain rules and orders proposed by the inhabitants of Gravesend, for regulating the ferry between London and Gravesend, and request their Lordships' confirmation thereof.

[May 27.] 44. Draft of the above; with note that an order thereon was given, June 18.

May 28. 45. Lord Windsor to Sec. Conway. Requests his favour in reference to the wardship of the young Lord Gerard, left to him in trust by the late Lord. [*See Undated*, 1620, *No.* 81.]

May 28. Luddington. 46. Fras. Smith to the Same. The townsmen of Luddington are much obliged by his attention to them in removing the supposed wife of Lodovic Davies. Asks directions about finishing the building at Ragley, ordered for the Minister of Luddington.

May 28. Madrid. 47. Endymion Porter to his wife Olive. Private money affairs. Sends her 333*l.* by Sir Fras. Cottington. Lady Carey, in Tuttle Street, is to pay her 112*l.*, for money lent by him to her son in Spain. Sends toys for presents, and 45*l.* as a token for his mother. Hopes his Lord [Buckingham] will speak to the King for him.

May 28. 48. Commissioners of the Navy to Lord Treasurer Middlesex. Are proceeding with the new dock at Chatham, as approved by the King; and, to save expense, request a warrant to demolish the old storehouses, valued at 300*l.*, and to employ such of the materials as they can in the construction of the new.

May 28. Chelsea. 49. Lord Treasurer Middlesex to Sec. Conway. Has hastened the victuals for the ships at Plymouth, and ordered 1,200*l.* in Spanish coin to be paid for providing victuals in Spain. The occasions of expense being so great, has considered how to retrench the demands for the new Spanish Ambassador's diet, which are 80*l.* a day, or, even when reduced, 60*l.* Finds that in Spain, our Prince has the same entertainment as the King, and therefore thinks that if the Ambassador is allowed the same fare as our King, which is thirty dishes daily, he may think himself royally served, and this, with sweetmeats, &c., will not exceed 20*l.* per day.

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May 28. 50. Estimate [by the Navy Commissioners] of the charge for equipping a ship to transport fresh victuals for the fleet bound for Spain. Total 403*l.* 12*s.*

May 28. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. Sends a letter from Sir Rich. Bingley, with advice on the place of his landing in Spain. He must write to the King as often as possible, either from any port touched at, or by any ship homeward bound that he meets. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 46.]

May 28. Theobalds. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To prepare a letter from the King to the Prince, requesting his mediation with the King of Spain on behalf of M. Amant, Governor of Courtray, in a suit which he has to present. [*Ibid., p.* 47.]

May 28. Theobalds. The Same to the Attorney General. To draw up a proclamation for the apprehension of Field. [*Ibid.*]

May 28. [Theobalds.] 51. [The Same] to Sec. Calvert. John More has been to Court, to request the place of Clerk of the Signet, void by death of Levinus Munck, of which he holds a reversion, but fears that it will be claimed by Sir Hum. May [Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster], also a reversioner, though he has other preferments. The King said he saw no reason why Sir Humphrey should have the place, and gave it to More, who is to be established therein.

May 28. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 47.]

May 29. Theobalds. The Same to the Same. The King wishes him to swear in Mr. More to the office of Clerk of the Signet. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

May ? 52. Legal opinion that the King may rightfully command the Chancellor of the Duchy to resign one of the offices which he holds demanding personal service, by declining to accept a deputy in the Clerkship of the Signet, it being unusual for a superior officer to pick up lesser offices. Indorsed, "Mr. More's case."

May ? 53. Statement that John More, being a reversioner of the Clerkship of the Signet, on the decease of Levinus Munck, May 27, 1623, waited upon Sir Hum. May, Chancellor of the Duchy, also a reversioner, and requested that he would forbear his claim, as he held higher offices; that, receiving a favourable reply, he went to Court, and was admitted Clerk of the Signet; but afterwards the King, on Sir Humphrey's representations, bade him forbear executing the office, till his pleasure was further known.

May 29. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to the Lord Treasurer. On the proportion of diet to be provided for the Ambassador from Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 47.]

May 29. Theobalds. The Same to Lord [Howard of] Walden. To certify the causes of complaint against Mr. Paris touching deer, and the condition of the man. [*Ibid.*]

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May 29. St. John's. 54. Earl of Exeter to Sec. [Conway]. Thanks him for his late visit to St. John's. Sends a letter to be forwarded to Buckingham in Spain. Desires leave to visit the Earl of Oxford.

May 29. Beaulieu. 55. Earl of Northampton to the Same. Requests appointment of Councillors for the Marches of Wales, to fill up the vacancies occasioned by death. Sends a list of fitting persons.

May 29. St. Martin's Lane. 56. Sec. Calvert to [the Same]. The Marquis of St. Germain will be at Calais in nine or ten days. A ship is to be sent to transport him. Asks the King's further commands as to the Commissioners' journey to Southampton. The little committee think that His Majesty cannot nominate proper persons to conduct the treaty [in Germany] until he knows the quality of the persons deputed by the Emperor and King of Spain. The point of precedency will have to be guarded; hopes the King will never cede it to Spain. Steps will be taken to punish those who have disobeyed the proclamation for retiring to the country. The Spanish Ambassador asks replies about the ships to be despatched for Scotland, and the iron ordnance requested by the Infanta, &c. Has told him that His Majesty can scarcely break his promise to Parliament not to grant licences [for export of ordnance].

May 29. Theobalds. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. To make all possible haste away. The captains, and anything else deficient, shall be ordered to meet him. If there be any impediment, he is to write word of it. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 47.]

May 29. The Prince Royal, in the Downs. 57. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Will do his utmost to fulfil the letter of his instructions, but experienced seamen do not think it prudent to wait at the height of the Groyne, whilst a pinnace goes in to see if further directions have been sent, lest the fleet be either detained or driven southward. Will be stayed by nothing but the wind, but it is southerly, and may continue so.

May 30. Theobalds. 58. [Sec. Conway] to the Earl of Rutland. The King renews his instructions that they should sail for the Groyne, unless they receive other instructions from the Prince or Buckingham. Hopes the wind is favourable, that they can get away, else the Prince will be obliged either to use the ships already there or to wait another season. The King dines at Whitehall, and sleeps at Greenwich.

May 30. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 47.]

May 30. The Prince Royal, off Deal. 59. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. The wind being north-westerly, will try to sail, though the sailors do not encourage it. His provisions are but just come aboard.

May 30. Half-past 12 P.M. 60. The Same to the Same. Sends a certificate, under the hands of Capt. Mainwaring and others, that it is impossible to set sail with the wind in its present quarter.

May 30. [Theobalds.] 61. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. Receipt and return of letters. The Commissioners may go to Southampton, as they can be back before the Ambassador is settled in his house. Hopes the parties in the

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treaty will be discreet in point of precedency, and accommodate matters, as the King will not yield it [to the King of Spain's ministers]. The [Infanta's request for] ordnance is referred to the Council. The ships for Scotland are to be hastened; the Bonaventure might go there after fetching the [Spanish] Ambassador from Calais.

May 30. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 48.]

May 30 ? 62. Jehan de Beaulieu, French Secretary, to Sec. Conway. Returns the King's letter [to the Infanta], corrected according to the last instructions. French.

May 30. 63. Sir Thos. Coventry to [the Same]. Requests insertion of the words "full power and authority," omitted in Lady Dale's commission, which must be amended in the King's presence, the commission having been signed.

May 30. Inner Temple. 64. The Same to the Same. Sends the form of a proclamation for apprehension of Hen. Field, knowing the King to be very sensible of offences against the deer, and justly angry with his two insolent escapes, but dares not recommend the proclamation, it being unusual, except in cases of capital crime. The next likely way to recover him would be by letters to active justices of peace, offering rewards for his apprehension.

May 30. Greenwich. Proclamation offering a reward of 10*l.* for the apprehension of Hen. Field, who has twice escaped justice. Printed. [*Proc. Coll., No.* 116.]

May 30. London. 65. Chamberlain to Carleton. Rejoices that Carleton's good friends have warded off the clouds that threatened him. The Earl of Rutland, Lord Morley, and Lord Windsor have taken their leave at Court. The Duke of Richmond, the Lord Treasurer, the Marquis of Hamilton, and others, are to go to Southampton, to arrange for the reception of the Infanta. Lord Leppington has brought back most of the Prince's servants, they having never seen Madrid. He, as well as Lord Carlisle, is very silent, but he says the Infanta allowed him to kneel to her for an hour. It is rumoured that the Prince is to have the title of King of Scotland or Ireland, in order that the Infanta may be a Queen. The Spanish Ambassador has laid the first stone of a chapel for her at St. James's. Lincoln's Inn Chapel was consecrated with much ceremony. Sir Wm. Monson's eldest son is committed to the Gatehouse, for arguing in favour of Popery, at the Earl of Nottingham's table. Lord Walden has lost large sums at play.

May ? 66. Reasons why the Council should speedily further Levine Van Hack's work of smelting and refining lead ore, viz., that he produces from the ore twice as much lead as Sir Hugh Middleton, refines the silver therefrom much more quickly, and uses sea or pit coal instead of charcoal.

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May 30. 67. Promise made on the King's behalf, by Lord Treasurer Middlesex, in favour of Levine Van Hack, that if his project for extracting as much more silver and lead from ore in the mines of England and Wales than is extracted by Sir Hugh Middleton from the mines opened by him in Cardiganshire succeeds, he shall be made a denizen, have the profit of his invention for thirteen years, and become master workman of the mines royal.

May 31. Audley End. 68. Thos. Earl of Suffolk to his son, Lord Howard of Walden. Has failed to obtain an interview with Mr. Paris, who complains of injury done to his grounds by the deer in Chesterford Park. Keeps deer entirely for the King's pleasure and recreation; they do him more mischief than any one else, and is willing to give them up if His Majesty please, but thinks Mr. Paris' complaints unreasonable, and only prompted by his servant.

[May 31.] 69. Abstract of the above statement.

May 31. Essex House. 70. Edm. Wolferston to the Earl of Carlisle. Sends the warrant engrossed by the Attorney General, that the blanks for the sums may be filled up, and it may be signed.

May 31. Greenwich. 71. [Sec. Conway] to the Bp. of Coventry and Lichfield. The King is pleased with his offer to relinquish the horse as a matter of courtesy, without examining into the right, but expected it to be sent at once. He wishes it to be forwarded immediately, as the Prince's return approaches, and he will need the best horses he has on his arrival.

May 31. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 48.]

May 31. Greenwich. 72. [The Same] to the Duchess of Buckingham. Is prevented by the King's service from waiting upon her to congratulate her on her husband's new honour, but no one rejoices in it more sincerely.

May 31. Greenwich. The Same to the Lord Chief Justice. Sends the men who robbed the Spanish post, and their examinations. The charges of the constable are to be defrayed. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 48.]

May 31. Greenwich. The Same to the Lord Keeper. Requests him to mediate with Sir Wm. Throgmorton's creditors. [*Ibid.*]

May 31. Greenwich. The Same to the Attorney General. Concerning a Commission for Sewers. [*Ibid.*]

May 31. Inner Temple. 73. Sir Thos. Coventry to Sec. Conway. There is no commission of sewers for a certain locality, but such commissions, being appointed by Act of Parliament, may issue without troubling the King, by warrant from the Lord Keeper, Lord Treasurer, and two Chief Justices. Will prepare one accordingly, and the Commissioners can then be warned to diligence.

May 31. 74. Sir Robt. Heath to the Same. There is an error in the petition of John Rathborne [for licence for a new invention for

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bolting meal], referred to him and others, which may be rectified by drawing up a new petition in the form enclosed, without troubling the King further, after which the grant can be drawn.

May 31. Greenwich. 75. Petition of John Dingley to the King, for protection for three years from certain refractory creditors, who refuse a compromise, that he may be able to maintain the four copperas houses established by him near London, from which, after forty years' labour, he can supply sufficient copperas for the kingdom and all foreign parts.

May 31. Greenwich. 76. Petition of Hen. Parker, late Deputy Clerk of the Court of Star Chamber, to the Same. Is put out of his place by the malice of the under clerk, whose abuses in office he exposed. Advises the erection of an office of Prosecutor of fines in the Star Chamber, to prevent abuses, and requests that the office may be granted to himself. With reference thereon.

May? 77. Lord Carlisle to Endymion Porter. Begs him to present his humble service to the Condé d'Olivarez and his wife, &c.

[May.] 78. The Commissioners of the Navy to Sir Robt. Pye. The 800*l.* payable out of the Great Customs for the Navy, for the month of May, is to be equally divided between the Treasurer of the Navy and the Surveyor of Victuals.

May? 79. Bill of Rice Griffith for bringing a packet from the Earl of Rutland, on board the Prince Royal off Dover, to the Court at Greenwich.

May? 80, 81. Bill of the daily expenses of — Taite, bringing letters out of Spain, and journeying by way of Toulon, Marseilles, Paris, Dieppe, &c., from April 13 to May 6. Total 15*l.* 4*s.* 9½*d.* Two copies.

May. 82. Orders set down by the Earl of Rutland for observance on board the Prince Royal, in the voyage to Spain.

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June 1. 1. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. As Conway declines to subscribe the answers delivered by the King to the Prince Palatine's propositions, which he requested him to do for caution's sake, forwards the King's letter that he may despatch it himself.

June 1. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. Sends the King's replies to the propositions of the Prince Palatine; the letters to go with them are already delivered. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 48.]

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June 1. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sir Rich. Bingley. He is to go to Calais with the ship Adventure, to fetch over the Ambassador from Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 48.]

June 1. Greenwich. The Same to the Earl of Rutland. Sends him a letter from his Lady. [*Ibid.*]

June 2. [Greenwich.] 2. [The Same] to Mr. Paris. His Majesty wishing to speak with him, he is to repair at once to Court, and give notice of his arrival to one of the Principal Secretaries.

June 2. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 49.]

June 2. [Greenwich. 3. [The Same] to the Earl of Carlisle. Sends him a warrant for the Attorney General to prepare a grant to him of a pension of 2,000*l.* a year, for twenty-one years. Minute.

June 2. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 49.]

June 2. [Greenwich.] 4. [The Same] to the Lord Treasurer. Sends a grant, signed, to Sir John Boteler, of the wardship and marriage of Jane Boteler, and a pension of 10*l.* a year during her minority. Minute.

June 2. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 49.]

June 3. [Greenwich.] 5. The Same to the Earl of Leicester. Ellis Rothwell, Page of the Bedchamber, complaining of a debt of arrears of rent owing to him by Leicester's daughter, Lady Wroth, the King promises him redress, the protection granted to her being on the faith of her endeavouring to satisfy her creditors, and especially her debt to His Majesty's servant. Requests him to use his fatherly interference therein.

June 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 49.]

June 3. Greenwich. The Same to the Earl of Rutland. To make all possible haste away, and lose neither a tide nor a breath of wind. [*Minute, Ibid., p.* 48.]

June 3. London. 6. Dud. Carleton to Sir D. Carleton. Ladies Isabella Smythe, Wharton, Hatton, and Wallingford are coming to the Hague, to see the Queen of Bohemia, on their way to the Spa; the last is an unfitting guest, from her disaffection in religion and other circumstances. The Duke of Richmond, Earl Marshal, Lords Treasurer and Chamberlain, and others are gone Commissioners to Southampton to survey the ways, and prepare lodgings and pageants for the Prince and Infanta on their arrival. Lord Leppington and most of the Prince's servants have arrived, and say that Lord Rochford will follow with tidings of the wedding day being fixed, Lord Denbigh with news of the consummation, and Lord Andover with that of the Prince's departure from Madrid; but none of these appear, and some suspect that, in spite of these seeming expectations, the marriage is broken off. The Prince is weary of his long detention. The Adventure is to go to Calais to fetch the Spanish Ambassador Extraordinary, and Sir Lewis Lewkenor to meet him at Dover.

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June 3. [Greenwich.] 7. [Sec. Conway] to the Mayors of Canterbury, Rochester, and Dover. They and their brethren and citizens of the best rank are to receive and attend the Spanish Ambassador, and see him and his train well accommodated and served; those of Canterbury and Rochester are to wear their scarlet gowns. Minute.

June 3. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 49.]

June 3. Greenwich. 8. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Rich. Bingley. To be at Calais with his ship, the next Friday, to attend the Spanish Ambassador. Minute.

June 3. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June 3. Greenwich. 9. [The Same] to the High Sheriff and Deputy Lieutenants of Kent. The King wishes, in return for the great entertainment given to the Prince in Spain, that special honour should be shown to Marquis Inijosa, the Spanish Ambassador, who is about to land at Dover; they are to prepare to attend him on his landing and passage through the county, and as many gentlemen of quality as they think fit are to join them. His Majesty will require a special account of their service, being wishful for everything to be done in good order.

June 3. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 49.]

June 3. The Downs. 10. Capt. Thos. Best to the Commissioners of the Navy. Capt. Nutt, the pirate, is on the Devonshire coast, in his ship of 120 tons and fourteen pieces of ordnance, and has taken many prizes. Desires to be sent in pursuit of him for a month, and has little doubt of taking him. The Lord General is in the Downs, waiting for a wind, and is very well; the other two Lords and most of the gentlemen are sick.

June 4. The Downs. 11. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Is detained still by contrary winds, tied by the leg "in this flotinge and tottering prison of the sea." Will lose neither wind nor tide to make but a yard's progress.

June 4. London. 12. Sir Edw. Zouch to Lord Zouch. Has told Sec. Calvert that his Lordship has no Deputy Lieutenants of counties, but only Commissioners of passage at the towns and creeks. The King is to have the appointment of all the Deputy Lieutenants.

June 5. Bramsell. 13. Lord Zouch to Sir Edw. Zouch. Has learned to receive evil, and hope for no good, but will keep his honesty, and humble himself to none but God, even if reduced to a morsel of bread. Wishes to serve Sir Edward, but not to be bound to him.

June 5. 14. Earl of Rutland to [Sec. Conway]. To write to the Navy Commissioners to send at once a supply of vinegar for the fleet, to keep it sweet. They will not send it at his request.

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June 5. London. 15. John Coke to Sec. Conway. There is no ship to follow up the pirate Nutt, if Capt. Best and Sir Rich. Bingley go to Scotland, unless the Earl of Rutland can spare one from his fleet. Sir Richard should have the Admiral's flag, if he goes with Capt. Best. Dr. Ryves, the King's Advocate, only waits a Council Warrant for the appearance of Sir Hen. Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John, to proceed against them.

June 5. [Greenwich.] 16. [Sec. Conway] to the Earl of Nottingham. Sends the examinations of Rich. Parfoote, Robt. and Jeffry Richbell, and Thos. Dee. If their confessions are not clear, they are to be sent to the Gatehouse.

June 5. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June [6]. 17. The Earl of Nottingham to Sec. Conway. Particulars of further examinations relative to the stealing of deer in Windsor Forest. Has committed the two Richbells and Buckeridge to prison. *Incloses,*

17. I. *Examination of Rich. Parfoote. Was servant with Robt. Richbell, eighteen months before, when a deer was taken by an engine in his master's orchard, near Windsor Forest, and eaten in his master's house. Knows of no other deer killed whilst in the service of Richbell, but was told that he and his brother Jeffry rode with greyhounds in the forest at night. May* 21.

17. II. *Examination of Robt. Richbell. Denies the above statements of Parfoote. Never coursed with greyhounds. June* 2.

17. III. *Examination of Thos. Dee. Confirms Parfoote's statement about the deer. The two Richbells coursed at night with staves and greyhounds in Windsor Forest. June* 2.

17. IV. *Examination of Jeffry Richbell. Denies the above charges. June* 2. *Indorsed is a digest of the above evidences, addressed to the King, by Heneage Finch, Recorder of London.*

17. V. *Examination of Deodatus Buckeridge. Confesses killing several young deer in Windsor Forest six or seven years ago, but none since. June* 4.

17. VI. *Examination of Edw. Rogers, sen. and jun. Were with Buckeridge, seven years ago, when his dog killed a young hind; concealed it from fear of mischief to him. June* 5.

June 6. [Greenwich.] 18. [Sec. Conway] to the Navy Commissioners. The Earl of Rutland complains of want of vinegar for sweetening the ships. A supply is to be hastened to the Downs, to be in time to find the fleet. Minute.

June 6. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

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June 6. [Greenwich.] 19. [Sec. Conway] to the High Sheriff of Kent. Thanks for his diligence in summoning the Deputy Lieutenants, whose custom it is to meet Ambassadors; this one being more than extraordinary, is to be received with all duty. Regrets his ill health.

June 6. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June 6. Greenwich. 20. [The Same] to Sec. Calvert. Sir Hen. Mervin and Sir Wm. St. John, committed to prison on a Council Warrant, are to be released, either on a similar warrant, or an order from the King, that they may appear before Dr. Ryves, the King's Advocate, who is to proceed against them [in the Admiralty Court].

June 6. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June 6. Greenwich. 21. [The Same] to the Navy Commissioners. Capt. Best requests leave to go for a month in pursuit of [Capt. Nutt], a pirate, who has taken several ships on the coasts, and frequents Dartmouth. The King wishes to know the result of Best's last pirate expedition, and what ships will be left in the Narrow Seas, when his and Sir Rich. Bingley's vessels are gone.

June 6. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June 6. 22. Commissioners of the Navy to Sec. Conway. Capt. Best's ship, the Garland, is the only one ready for the Narrow Seas, or against the pirate Nutt, if the Scottish service will admit of that delay. Sir Rich. Bingley is ordered to be at Calais, to bring over the Spanish Ambassador. Request directions.

June 6. Titchfield. 23. The Earl of Southampton to the Same. Thinks Sir Noel Caron delays ordering the discharge of the Dutch prisoners at Cowes, because of their charges; they are willing to pay their own expenses, if they may be liberated. Begs the King's consent thereto, it being unfit to make the Castle a prison for those accused of no offence within the kingdom.

June 6. Penshurst. 24. Earl of Leicester to the Same. Is sorry to hear that his daughter, Lady Wroth, has discontented the King by her non-payment of Ellis Rothwell. Knows but little of her affairs, as she has managed them herself ever since her widowhood; she would not have asked a protection, except in hope of paying all her debts in time. Mr. Rothwell will be paid as soon as any other, but his demand of security for his future rent is not reasonable; Lady Wroth is willing to give up the house, since the proclamation for residence in the country, but he declines to release her from it.

June 6. 25. Account, by Ant. Twyne, of the charge of diet, &c. for eight Lords of the Council, for five days, June 2—6, in a journey from London to Southampton and back, as Commissioners for receiving the Infanta of Spain. Total, 218*l.* 14*s.* 2*d.*

June 7. Chilham. 26. Sir Dud. Diggs to Sec. Conway. Has neglected his own urgent business in London, in expectation of a notice from Sir Lewis Lewkenor [to attend the Spanish Ambassador], the more so as "all

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the gentlemen in those parts are extreme backward." Affects the Spaniard as little as any man, and will not dissemble it to His Majesty, but regrets that the King's pleasure is so ill performed. Asks leave to come to London.

June 7. Greenwich. 27. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Dud. Diggs. Is sorry the Deputy Lieutenants [of Kent] are so backward in fulfilling the King's wishes. Requests him to urge them to their duty, which, if not performed cheerfully, "will blot more than it will honour," and they will be called to a strict account.

June 7. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June 7. Greenwich. 28. [The Same] to Sir Lewis Lewkenor. The King has weighed his reasons for wishing to save charges by not providing the Ambassador's coaches at any uncertainty, but desires they may be there a few days after Sunday, when either the Marquis, or some tidings of him, will arrive. His Majesty requests frequent advertisements of his proceedings.

June 7. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June 8. London. 29. Lady Carleton to Sir Dud. Carleton. Domestic affairs and purchase of apparel. Does not know what to do with Bess, she is so unfashionable. Wishes he would speak to the Queen [of Bohemia] to take her. She was far gone in the scurvy, which none but lazy folks have. Sir Edw. Harwood would marry Lady Smith, if she were Puritan enough.

June 8. [Greenwich.] 30. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Lewis Lewkenor, at Dover. The King expects an answer to the three things committed to him. The gentlemen being backward to attend the Ambassador, the directions are renewed, and they are to be duly warned of the time of his arrival, that the service may be well performed. Minute.

June 8. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 50.]

June 8. [Greenwich.] 31. [The Same] to the Countess of Rutland. Forwards a letter from her husband, and promises that hers to him shall be safely conveyed. Minute.

June 8. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 8. [Greenwich.] 32. [The Same] to Auditor Gofton. To send word whether the vinegar is despatched for the fleet, according to directions. Minute.

June 8. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 8. [Greenwich.] 33. [The Same to the Earl of Rutland ?]. The King is sorry that the wind is not better, but glad that the gentlemen in the fleet are so anxious to be gone, and wishes him sick enough to confirm his prophecy.

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June 9. Philpott Lane. 34. Sir Thos. Smythe and Wm. Burrell to Sec. Conway. The vinegar, and all the other things which the Earl of Rutland wrote for, are sent down to him, and all his wants shall be supplied.

June 9. Eccleshall Castle. 35. Bp. of Coventry and Lichfield to the Same. Detained the horse on an assurance of liberty to do so, but will yield his right without controversy. Wishes leave for Sir Thos. Savage to present him to the Prince in his name.

June 9. Newark. 36. Lady Mary Leek to the Same. Trusts to his favour and that of the Countess of Exeter to protect her against her adversaries In spite of Mr. Leek's great age, his understanding is perfect, but his self-will threatens to ruin her and her son. Hopes Hawton may be cleared from all incumbrance of debt, &c.

June 9. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. To speak with the Spanish Ambassador about the oppressions in the Palatinate, and to inquire why no news comes from Spain. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 9. Greenwich. The Same to Mr. Read. To prepare a letter to the King of Denmark, about moneys lent by him to the King. [*Ibid.*]

June 9. St. Martin's Lane. 37. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The Spanish Ambassador has gone towards Dover, to meet the Marquis Inijosa. He has letters from Spain, and says all goes on well. There are none for His Majesty or the Secretaries.

June 9. [Greenwich.] 38. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Lewis Lewkenor. The King wishes to know whether the [Spanish] Ambassador will call and have an audience at Greenwich, en passant, or wait to consult his papers and confer with the other Ambassador; also concerning his household, diet, &c. The Duke of Richmond [Lord Steward] writes to the Sheriff and Deputy Lieutenants of Kent, and the Mayor and Aldermen of Canterbury, about his reception; the guns at Dover are ordered to fire. The King goes to hunt at Oatlands on Wednesday, and returns on Thursday. With minute of a letter to the Earl of Rutland, inclosing one from his lady.

[June 9.] 39. Draft of the above letter to Lewkenor.

June 9. Minute of the above letters to Lewkenor and Conway. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 9. Dover. 40. Sir Lewis Lewkenor to Sec. Conway. Has written twenty letters, and spoken to many persons, about the attendance on the Marquis Inijosa, &c., which they are disposed honourably to perform. Don Carlos de Colonna is coming, and has sent to request good lodgings, which are provided. Lord Rutland and all his ships weighed anchor this morning, but the wind has changed, and is now against them.

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June 9. Dover. 41. Mayor of Dover to Sec. Conway. The Earl of Rutland's fleet was forced back into the Downs by contrary winds, and the main-topmast of the Rainbow broken.

June 9? 42. Geo. Verney to the Same. The stewardship of Grafton Park, Northamptonshire, and of Whittlewood Forest, are on disposal, and are in the Prince's gift.

June 9. [Greenwich.] 43. [Sec. Conway] to Geo. Verney. Cannot do more at present for his master, Sir Robt. Naunton, than to get him a life pension of 1,000*l.*, on some certain assignment, to cease when 500*l.* a year in land is settled on him. Will take all preparatory steps to forward it.

June 9. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 9. Warrant to pay 50*l.* to Pedro de Lobo, a Spanish courier, robbed on his way to Spain. [*Docquet.*]

June 9. Grant to Thos. Boswell of an advowson of the rectory of Skerringham, co. York. [*Docquet.*]

June 9. Grant to Sir Robt. Harley and others, of lands, &c. in the manors of Laston and Lenthall Earls, co. Hereford, and grant to Sir John Danvers and others of the residue of the said manors, conveyed to the Crown by Sir Herbert Croft and his wife, with consent of his son, Sir William, in order, by their sale, to pay his debts and provide for his younger children. [*Docquet.*]

June 9. Confirmation of the rectory of Symondsbury, diocese of Bristol, to Morgan Wynne, now parson there. [*Docquet.*]

June 9. Dover. 44. Wm. Jones to Edw. Nicholas. Several servants of the Prince have returned, things being so dear in Spain. Lord Colville, who went to obtain a pension of the French King, has returned. Report in Paris that the Jesuits have conspired to kill that King. Fortifications going on at Rochelle.

June 9. 45. Fras. Willisford to the Same. Has written to Sir Hen. Mainwaring for the seal and keys, but receives no answer. The long-expected Ambassador is still detained at Calais. Sir Lewis Lewkenor awaits him with ten coaches, and an order has arrived for the Mayor and Jurats to attend him at the water side, in their best fashion. The ships were detained in the Downs six days with a good wind, waiting for their general and provisions, and now that they are ready, the wind has changed. Is ordered to fire salutes from the castle and forts for the Ambassador.

June 9. Sandwich. 46. Mayor and Jurats of Sandwich to [Lord Zouch]. The person for whom he wrote was put in nomination as town clerk, with another gentleman, and the election proceeded according to custom, but the other party had the majority. All was done with due respect to his Lordship.

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June 9. Greenwich. 47. Petition of divers fishermen of the Thames and Medway to the King, for his recommendation of their suit to the Lord Mayor, &c. of London, that they may have a charter of incorporation, for better preservation of the fish, and remedy of abuses in fishing. With reference and special recommendation thereof to the Lord Mayor.

June 9. [Greenwich.] 48. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Keeper. The King sends him a certain petition [complaining of a decree in Chancery, in a cause between Harrington and Coe]. Though not doubting the candour and equity of his Lordship's decisions, which are attacked thereby, his Majesty desires a plain and exact account of the transaction. The man who presented the petition looked like a madman. *Incloses,*

48. 1. *Petition of Robt. Harrington to the King. States particulars relative to certain lands mortgaged to his father at their full value, by —— Coe. Remonstrates against the decision of the Lord Keeper, awarding the lands to Coe, and requests reference of the case to Sir Thos. Edmondes and Serjeant Crew.*

June 9. Minute of the above letter of Conway. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 10. Westminster College. 49. Lord Keeper Lincoln to Sec. Conway. Reports the particulars of the case of Coe v. Harrington, decided by himself and Justice Hutton in Chancery, relating to the right to certain land mortgaged by Coe to Harrington. Complaints like those of Harrington are "but an usuall and dailie requitall of the paines of the Lord Keeper." The King can have the case reheard if he choose, but it will be unusual, and he may "cut out for himselfe good store of worke to spend vacations withall."

June 10. 50. Copy of the above.

June 10. Nonsuch. 51. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Keeper. The King is perfectly satisfied with the explanations given by his Lordship in answer to Harrington's information, and has a high opinion of his worth and integrity.

June 10. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 10. Nonsuch. The Same to Sec. Calvert. To appoint a meeting of Council about the business of Mr. Shute and Mr. Meautys. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

June 10. Dartmouth. 52. Sir John Eliot to [Sec. Conway]. Capt. Nutt, on hearing of a pardon promised him on Feb. 1, has submitted and brought his ship into the harbour. He has committed many wrongs the last few weeks; wishes directions as to whether, in spite of all, he is still thought worthy of pardon.

June 10. Charing Cross. 53. Geo. Verney to the Same. His master [Sir Robt. Naunton] thanks Conway for his faithful care in the business, and relies wholly on his discretion to discover what is best to be done therein.

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June 10. [Greenwich.] 54. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Treasurer. The King wishes for a patent passing to Alex. Achmouty, of the Privy Chamber, a pension of 200*l.* a year, resigned to him by Sir Jas. Balfour.

June 10. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 10. [Nonsuch.] 55. [The Same] to the Attorney General. To examine certain information sent, by aid of the witnesses therein named, and of others to be nominated by Mr. Hay [the surgeon].

June 10. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 51.]

June 10. 56. Robt. Tanfield to Lord Zouch. Mr. Potter, his cousin Zouch's tutor, was prevented deriving benefit from his Lordship's presentation, because his rival had procured induction before he could come to Peterborough. Unless the Lord Treasurer will persuade his chaplain to resign, a suit must be commenced for recovery. Offers to draw up an answer to the suit against his Lordship begun by Mr. Lane in the Court of Wards.

June 10. 57. Mayor of Newcastle to Sec. Conway. Is sorry that his letter and that of other Privy Councillors, though read at a common council at Newcastle, failed to secure the election of Mr. Coniers for schoolmaster. *Incloses,*

57. I. *Certificate of the votes given by each member of the Common Council of Newcastle, for election of a schoolmaster. June* 10.

June 11. Whitehall. 58. The Council to the Lords Lieutenant [of Counties]. The course of yearly musters of trained forces, already found so beneficial, becomes more necessary from the unsettled state of Christendom. Attention is also enjoined to fresh directions, whereby it is not intended that all the county find fresh arms at once, but that any broken or decayed be supplied after the best modern form. All care is to beused, that the men, horses, and armour be sufficient and serviceable, and the forces ready on short notice, especially to suppress any tumult.

June [11]. 59. Duplicate of the above.

[June 11]. 60. Copy of the above.

June 11. Chelsea. 61. Earl of Middlesex to Sec. Conway. Care is taken for the honourable entertainment of the Spanish Ambassador. Wines, sugars, spices, fruits, &c. are bought in, and the diet provided by Mr. Harvey, with royal plenty, yet frugality. The King is to be reminded to provide the promised venison.

June 12. Oatlands. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Kelly. The Spanish Ambassador has not yet landed, being hindered by the foul weather. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 12. Warrant for delivery, at Tower Wharf, of 1,000 tons of Portland stone, for the use of the Duke of Richmond, for Richmond House, Holborn; also for payment of sums not exceeding 800*l.* to Hen. Wicks, Paymaster of the Works, for the same. [*Docquet.*]

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June 12. Grant to John Holt, of Hollingreane, co. Lancaster, of pardon for murder. [*Docquet.*]

June 12. Grant to Thos. Garner of an almsroom in Trinity College, Cambridge. [*Docquet.*]

June 12. [Oatlands.] 62. [Sec. Conway] to Sir John Eliot, Vice Admiral of Devon. Capt. Nutt, a pirate, who much infests the Irish and western coasts, has a retreat at Torbay, and sometimes comes on shore, being anxious to procure a pardon. He is to use all efforts secretly to apprehend him.

June 12. Dartmouth. 63. Mayor of Dartmouth to the Council. Outrages of John Nutt, a pirate. He surprised a Colchester ship, laden with sugar and woad to the value of 4,000*l*,, while treating for his pardon, which he has obtained, and boasts of its large extent, wearing the very clothes of the men whom he has plundered.

June 12. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 12. [Oatlands.] 64. [The Same] to the Navy Commissioners, On the Spanish Ambassador's landing, Sir Rich. Bingley and Capt. Best's ships are at once to proceed to Scotland, to clear the harbours from the Hollanders, and the precedency between them is to be determined. Some ship is to be used to try to take Capt. Nutt, and to satisfy the people of the King's protection in the Narrow Seas. Asks at what cost the Entrance could be prepared for that service.

June 12. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 12. Dartmouth. 65. Sir John Eliot to the Council. A ship of Hamburgh was surprised and captured in Torbay, by some Dutchmen from Plymouth. Has recovered and brought it back to Dartmouth. It is laden with corn, which begins to heat, and the sale of which would be a great help to the country in this time of dearth. Begs leave to dispose of it for the benefit of the Lord Admiral or any whom it may concern.

June 12. Cambridge. 66. Isaac Barrow to John Packer. Desires his assistance in obtaining the Physic Reader's place at Cambridge for Dr. Gostlin, the best man of his profession in the University. The late Reader, Dr. Burton, died suddenly yesterday. The stipend is but 40*l*. a year, and the office requires much pains.

June 12. 67. Examination of Edw. Wallis. Buried the skin of a hind a year ago, at request of Rich. Parfoote, Robt. Richbell's servant.

[June 13.] 68. Petition of Hen. Wray to Visct. Mandeville, President of the Council. Has been attending daily on Council, as summoned, for six weeks, but has never been called upon to appear. Prays leave to return to his urgent business at home.

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June 13. 69. Commissioners of the Navy to Sec. Conway. As soon as ever the Spanish Ambassador has landed, the Garland and Adventure shall be prepared for Scotland, but as Sir Rich. Bingley, being a a knight, would be likely to contest the precedence with Capt. Best, who was placed as Admiral of the Narrow Seas in lieu of Sir Hen. Mervin, advise that Capt. Christian or Capt. Geere go with the Adventure to Scotland, and Sir Richard take charge of the Happy Entrance, in the Narrow Seas, and follow Nutt the pirate; for this ship moneys are still wanting.

June 13. [Greenwich.] 70. [Sec. Conway] to the Justices of Peace of Yorkshire and Derbyshire. The King is displeased that his orders to Fras. Tunsted for preservation of the game, by taking up setting dogs and nets, &c. have not produced better effects. They are to enforce the laws for the game, and assist Tunsted in punishment of offenders. If any gentlemen are guilty in these points, one of the Secretaries of State is to be informed, and the King will personally reprove the offenders, and would be glad to be informed of the faulty persons, and the best remedies to be adopted. His Majesty will also be much gratified if, as moor game is decayed, the gentlemen will forbear hawking for a year, so as to replenish it.

June 13. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 13. Greenwich. 71. [The Same] to the Earl of Southampton. The captain and prisoners under his Lordship's charge are claimed by the States as rebels and pirates, but they are also guilty of piracy against the English, and the King is unwilling to have them given up, till he obtains satisfaction for the pirate ship taken violently [from the Isle of Wight], and for outrages done in Scotland; Sir Noel Caron promises speedy redress for both.

June 13. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett Bk., p.* 52.]

June 13? 72. Statement by [Geo. Verney to Sec. Conway], that Sir Robt. Naunton has fully explained to Conway his wishes about his grant. The only point in dispute is, that the Lord Treasurer wishes the grant to be a pension, with a promise of 500*l.* in land, when it can be prepared. Naunton wishes, for better security of his heirs, the pension to be passed absolutely for twenty-one years, but with proviso of surrender on the grant of lands; yet, rather than trouble the King or hinder the grant, he is willing to accept it as offered.

June 13. Greenwich. 73. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Robt. Naunton. Sends a note of what the King is willing to do in reference to his pension, and asks whether he will accept it in the form propounded, or insist on the pension being made to assignees, till the 500*l.* a year in land be settled. *Incloses,*

73. 1. *Statement of the King's wish that a grant be prepared of a pension of* 1,000*l. per ann., to Sir R. N.* [*Sir Robt. Naunton*], *to continue until he has a grant of lands to the clear annual value of* 500*l.*

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June 13. Minute of the preceding letter of Sec. Conway. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 13. Greenwich. 74. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Treasurer. To draw a grant to Sir Robt. Naunton of a pension of 1,000*l.* a year on the customs, to commence from Christmas last, with proviso of surrender on grant of 500*l.* a year improved lands. The King is pleased with the preparations for entertainment of the Ambassador, and will supply deer when the weather permits his landing. Good opinion of Mr. Harvey. Sir Fras. Cottington brings news that the marriage articles are almost completed, but, until they are ratified by the Kings of England and Spain, the marriage day cannot be known. It is uncertain whether the fleet will not wait till that be decided.

June 13. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 14. Prince Royal, in the Downs. 75. Earl of Rutland to [Sec. Conway]. "The wind is come fair at north and by west"; they are weighing anchor, and hope by to-morrow morning to be at the Isle of Wight, where any despatches may be sent.

June 14. Prince Royal, in the Downs. 76. The Same to [the Same]. Will depart at once, the wind being fair, as the letter from Sir Francis [Cottington] is no warrant for him to stay. *Incloses,*

76. 1. *Sir Fras. Cottington to the Earl of Rutland. Has just arrived, and begs him not to set out, because, when he has spoken with the King, his Majesty may delay the sailing of the fleet. All are well in Spain. Dover, Friday, June* 13.

June 14. Prince Royal, in the Channel. 77. The Same to the Same. Received his packet when athwart the Bay, betwixt Hythe and Folkestone. Will repair again to the Downs as speedily as possible.

June 14. Bramsell Park. 78. Lord Zouch to the Same. Recommends Cunny, a maimed soldier, who has long served the state, for relief in his own county of Yorkshire.

June 14. Greenwich. 79. The King to the President and Fellows of Magdalen College, Oxford. Recommends Sir Wm. Uvedale as lessee of certain tenements in Southwark belonging to the College, he being willing to repair the decay into which they have fallen during the tenancy of the late lessee.

June 14. Amsterdam. 80. Petition of Jacob Cornelisson, of Purmerend, Amsterdam, to the Lord Mayor and Aldermen of London, for licence to his factor, Dirick Gherard, to transport 2,000 lasts of grain to the Low Countries, in consideration of his having lost three ships in bringing grain to England, for which he has supplied 48,543 quarters of grain, during the last two years of scarcity; with attestation of the truth of the above statements, by Peter Rutters, notary of Amsterdam.

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June 14. Demise to Wm. Smisby, the King's servant, in reversion after Bridget Godfrey, of the ferry over the Humber, co. Lincoln, and the toll of a market there. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. Warrant to pay to John Scandaver, 60*l.*, for expenses in conveying certain deer, by the King's order, since Feb. 7 last. [*Docquet.*]

June 14. London. 81. Sir Jas. Craig to Mr. Willis, Secretary to the Earl of Middlesex. Acknowledges his obligations to the Earl. An Irish gentleman, whose great uncle was a Viscount, and who inherits his lands, offers 2,200*l.* for a Viscountcy, or 2,500*l.* for an Earldom.

June 14. 82. Thos. Mallet to Sec. Conway. Particulars of the estate of Sir Robt. Harley, and of his land at Wigmore, Eyton, and Presteigne, value 400*l.* a year, proposed to be settled on Brilliana, Conway's daughter, on her marriage with him.

June 14. Charing Cross. 83. Sir Robt. Naunton to the Same. Will rely entirely on the King's promise and Conway's discretion in his business, and would not run any risk by making propositions, but take what is offered. Requests his influence to procure the reversion of the bailiwick of Sandwich for Thos. Lois.

June 14. Southampton. 84. Mayor and Corporation of Southampton to the Council. Four hundred beds can be provided in inns, alehouses and private houses, against the Prince's arrival, besides unfurnished rooms and houses.

June 14. London. 85. Chamberlain to Carleton. The Duke of Richmond and six other noblemen went to Southampton, to arrange pageants and repair of the highways for the reception of the Infanta. Inigo Jones and Allen, the old player, went with them, and could have done just as well without so many Privy Councillors; but we must show our obsequiousness in all that concerns her. Quarrel between the Lord Chamberlain and the Earl of Carlisle. The Council are going about to eat at ordinaries, in order to choose which is fittest and cheapest to furnish diet for the expected Spanish Ambassador, whom Lord Kelly has gone to meet at Gravesend, with the King's barges. He has cloths of estate at Exeter House, an honour never conceded to an Ambassador in Queen Elizabeth's time. He intends to stay some time, for he has made arrangements for moneys to be paid him by 2,000*l.* a month. The Lord Mayor is knighted, and the Recorder made so fulsome a speech that it surfeited the King, who reproved the City for allowing mean trades to creep into Goldsmith's Row, in Cheapside, and desired their removal. The men who robbed the Spanish post at Shooters' Hill are taken, and likely to be hanged. Levinus Munck is dead, worth 40,000*l.* Lady Bridgewater has a son. Buckingham is to have the greatest office in England, that of Lord High Constable, revived and conferred on him. The King has had private despatches from Spain, sent by his Ambassador in France. Cottington and Gresley are come, but are forbidden to divulge anything, yet the ships are stayed a fortnight.

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June 14. [Greenwich.] 86. [Sec. Conway] to Sec. Calvert. The King is sending Sir Wm. Crofts now, and Mr. Gresley in a few days, to Spain, by both of whom despatches may be forwarded.

June 14. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 14. Greenwich. 87. [The Same] to Lord Brooke. Tidings from Spain of the marriage articles, &c. Marquis Inijosa has landed at Dover, where the coaches have been waiting him for eight days, and Don Carlos de Colonna and the Archduchess's agent for five days. Indorsed with minute of a letter of similar tenor to the Earl of Northampton.

June 14. Greenwich. Minutes of the above letters to Lord Brooke and the Earl of Northampton. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

June 14. Dover, Saturday. 88. Sir Lewis Lewkenor to Sec. Conway. The Spanish Ambassador was received with salutes from Rutland's fleet and from the castle artillery. At Barham Downs, Sir Dud. Diggs, Sir Nich. Tufton, Sir Edw. Hales, and a troop of knights and gentlemen, met him, and, after compliments exchanged, attended him to Canterbury; at the gates, there was a band of music, and the Mayor and his brethren in scarlet gowns, who attended him to his lodgings, sent him costly sweetmeats, and gave him a guard of twenty men in the town liveries, the crowd being great. He then visited the Cathedral, especially Thomas à Becket's shrine, and was attended by the Canons. Never saw so handsome a reception in Kent. He will lodge to-morrow night at Gravesend.

June 15. 89. Memorandum of application by Sir Noel de Caron to the Court of Exchequer, for discharge of certain fines returned against him at the suit of Abraham Vandelden, the debt claimed being part of 20,000*l.* lent by Sir Noel to the King.

June 15. Greenwich. Note that Sir Wm. Crofts was this day despatched to Spain, with letters from the King and Sir Fras. Cottington to the Prince, from Sec. Conway and the Duchess of Buckingham to Buckingham, a signet in a ruby ring, &c. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 53.]

June 15. Greenwich. 90. [Sec. Conway] to the Barons of the Exchequer. Recommends to them a petition of Mr. Bainbridge, servant to Lord Annandale [concerning a mill and a toll]. If it appears that the King's revenue is interested therein, they are to be careful of the preservation of his just rights.

June 15. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 53.]

June 15. St. John's. 91. Eliza Countess of Exeter to Sec. Conway. Particulars of claims on the manor of Hawton. Lady Leek wishes, if the debt be just, that it may be defrayed out of the rents of the land, not out of her husband's personal estate.

June 15. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. To stay in the Downs with the fleet until further orders, or if he has set sail, to return. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 53.]

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June 15. Greenwich. 92. [Sec. Conway] to the Mayor of Plymouth. To use his utmost endeavours to convey to the Earl of Rutland, whose fleet is under sail, as he passes, a letter which highly concerns His Majesty's service. With note of a letter of similar tenor to the Mayor of Southampton.

June 15. Minute of the above letters. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 53.]

June 15. Prince Royal, in the Downs. 93. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Received his directions at 4 P.M., June 14, when three leagues south west of Dover, and returned to the Downs by 10 P.M. The post from Sittingbourne to Canterbury, though "but twelve miles, was five hours a-going."

June 15. [Greenwich.] 94. [Sec. Conway] to the Navy Commissioners. Sir Fras. Cottington having brought word that some time must elapse before the marriage negociations can be ratified, a message is sent to stay the fleet, though it has already left the Downs. The King thinks that, instead of equipping the Entrance, a ship from that fleet may be spared for the service of Scotland, and they are to fix upon one, to settle the precedency of the vessels, and expedite their despatch.

June 15. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 53.]

June 16. Greenwich. The Same to the Earl of Rutland. To stay two or three days in the Downs with the fleet, until further orders. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

June 16. Greenwich. 95. [The Same to the Lord Treasurer]. To order the preparation of a grant of concealed lands, value 20*l.* a year old rents, for Sir Dud. Carleton, Ambassador in Holland. With note, that this letter was stayed, and the directions given to the Attorney General instead, informing him that the Lord Treasurer was acquainted with the business. [*See June* 24.]

June [16]. 96. Earl of Rutland to [Sec. Conway]. Many Holland vessels come in with English sailors on board. Desires to know if he shall take any of the Englishmen out of them to supply the deficiencies of his own fleet; also what he is to do with two Englishmen who have letters of marque, and do much hurt in the Narrow Seas.

June 16. Wentworth Woodhouse. 97. Thos. Lord Wentworth to the Same. Asks letters of recommendation for his fifth brother to serve in the Low Countries, under Sir Edward's son.

June 16. London. 98. Ott. Meverell to the Same. Sends testimonials in favour of Dr. Edm. Wilson, as a man of learning and sufficiency, to succeed Dr. Burton in the professor's place at Cambridge.

[June 16.] 99. Testimonial of Sam. Ward and three others, in favour of Dr. Edm. Wilson, as a competent and discreet physician.

[June 16.] 100. Copy of the above.

[June 16.] 101. Testimonial of Dr. Moundefore, President of the College of Physicians of London, Dr. Hen. Atkins, and others, confirming the testimony of the Cambridge University in favour of Dr. Wilson's abilities as a physician.

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June 16. 102. Fras. Willisford to Lord Zouch. Honourable reception of the Spanish Ambassador at Dover, and in the towns through which he passed. Sir Fras. Cottington and Mr. Gresley have arrived from Spain. The fleet is stayed till the Ambassador has concluded with the King certain points about the match.

June 16. Dover. 103. Wm. Jones to Nicholas. The French King is sending armies to the Valtoline. Peace in France. Landing of the Spanish Marquis. Mr. Crofts has sailed for Spain.

June 16. Dover. 104. Thos. Benson to Lord Zouch. His Lordship's goods are landed; the harbour is much choked with sand. Sir Hen. Mainwaring and his adherents report that he is to be restored to his place.

June 16. Dover. 105. Commissioners of Passage to the Same. A young man lately landed had a trunk directed to Sir Thos. Ruddle of Newcastle, in which were found beads, letters, pictures, and certain jesuitical prohibited books, and MSS. He has escaped; send up his papers, and ask directions.

[June 16.] 106. Petition of David Howell, a poor maimed soldier, to the Council, for directions to the Justices of Carnarvonshire, to fulfil their Lordships' former order, in granting him a pension. With fragment of another petition, that his pension may be 5*l.* per ann. instead of 3*l.*

June 16. Plymouth. 107. Sir John Eliot to Sec. Conway. Despairing to take the pirate Nutt by force, allured him, by the copy of an old pardon, to submit, and bring into Dartmouth his ship, which is now unrigged, and thus that coast is made open for trade, to the great comfort of the people, who feared Nutt's interrupting their Newfoundland voyage. Asks directions what to do with him and his men. Has freed a Hamburgh vessel, laden with corn, which, when riding in Torbay, was seized by another crew of rogues, whom he has sent to gaol. Requests a fuller commission.

June 16. 108. Navy Commissioners to the Same. Think the two ships best fitted for Scotland are the Garland, under Capt. Best, who, from his great experience in such affairs should have the precedency, and the Bonaventure, under Sir Wm. St. Leger; both ships are fitted for fight, if they should be opposed by the Dunkirkers.

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June 17. London. Dud. Carleton to Sir Dud. Carleton. Sir Fras. Cottington and Mr. Gresley have arrived from Spain for fresh counsel, and Peter Killigrew is returning there. The fleet, which was hindered by contrary winds, is now stayed till further orders. The Spanish Ambassador Extraordinary was brought from Gravesend to Greenwich, to an audience, in eight barges, and thence conveyed with many coaches to Exeter House, which is richly furnished for him. He is to stay until the performance of the treaty, and return of the Prince. [*Holl. Corresp., June* 17.]

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June 17. [Whitehall.] 1. Sec. [Conway] to the Navy Commissioners. Fears that Sir Wm. St. Leger, Captain of the Bonaventure, which they consider the fittest ship to accompany Capt. Best's, the Garland, to Scotland, will not, as they suppose, yield precedency to Best, he having refused to go the Spanish voyage unless, in regard of his knighthood, he might be either Vice Admiral or Rear Admiral. Recommends them to choose some other ship, as the service requires expedition and will not admit of the delay of such disputes. Approves their diligence in preparing victuals, &c.

June 17. Minute of the preceding letter. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 54.]

June 17. 2. Navy Commissioners to Sec. Conway. Are no judges on points of honour, but advised Capt. Best to command in the Scottish service, because of his experience. Still think he had better do so, and have under him some captain of meaner quality than Sir Wm. St. Leger.

June 17. Plymouth. 3. Jas. Bagg, jun., to the Same. Is preparing a small ship to wait on the fleet at the Groyne, with fresh victuals for the Earl of Rutland.

June 17. Plymouth. 4. Jas. Bagg, Deputy Mayor of Plymouth, to the Same. Thinks the Fleet has not passed, the winds being contrary. Will have a boat ready to convey the letter to the Earl of Rutland when he passes.

June 17. St. John's. 5. Eliza Countess of Exeter to [the Same]. Thanks for favour to her kinswoman [Lady Leek]. Hopes he will obtain the liberty of the Earl of Oxford, whose heart is her daughter's; they only wait the King's pleasure for their marriage.

June 17. Whitehall. Sec. Conway to the Earl of Rutland. To stay in the Downs till further order. He is not to take English sailors out of Dutch vessels, but if men are wanted for the fleet, they are to be otherwise supplied. Directions about such as have letters of marque. Sir Wm. Crofts is despatched for Spain, and Mr. Killigrew returned. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 54.]

June 18. Theobalds. The Same to the Lord Steward. To go and visit the Spanish Ambassador, and be with him at a meal. [*Ibid.*]

June 18. Theobalds. The Same to the Lord Chamberlain. To the same purport. The rest of the Council are to do the same in their turns. [*Ibid.*]

June 18. [Theobalds.] 6. [The Same] to Lady Heyborne [of Tottenham], Sir Edw. Barkham, and Mr. Cratt [of Colney Hatch]. The King is much inconvenienced in his hunting in Tottenham Woods by the want of convenient gates, and they damaged by their fences being ridden over and broken down. His Majesty therefore wishes them to cause gates to be made for convenient passage, and if they are kept locked, one key to be sent to him, which will be reserved for his exclusive use. Requests an answer by the bearer.

June 18. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 54.]

June 18. [Theobalds.] 7. [The Same] to Capt. Wroth. Requests him to urge the recommendation of the preceding letter.

June 18. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 54.]

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June 18. Westminster College. 8. Lord Keeper Williams to Sec. Conway. Thinks this great commision of fees affords a good opportunity for presenting the petition of the twelve Masters in Chancery for relief. At first their fees were very large, and they had the chief Church preferments of the kingdom in their gift. In 20 Hen. VIII. they were forbidden to accept any but voluntary gifts; but Lord Chancellor Ellesmere connived at their taking moderate fees. Chancellor Bacon, wishing to advance the sale of these places, got a Privy Seal, enabling the Masters to demand set fees, which demand being abused by bribery and extortion, was complained of in Parliament as a grievance, and revoked by proclamation, but no substitute assigned; and now, though they have business sometimes intricate and difficult, they dare not accept a penny, though offered. The office must expire without some consideration.

June 18. Suffolk House. 9. Earl of Suffolk to the Same. Begs him to forward the appointment of Dr. Gosnall [Gostlin] to the office of Lecturer in Medicine at Cambridge. Dr. Wilson, of London, recommended by some, is suspected of Puritanism. *Incloses,*

9. 1. *Certificate of the Vice Chancellor, Heads of houses, &c. of Cambridge, that Dr. Gostlin, Master of Gonville and Caius College, is competent for the office of King's Lecturer in Physic to the University. June* 12.

June 18. Warrant for Sir Wm. St. Ravie to export four horses. [*Minute, Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 6.]

June 18. Warrant for M. D'Aersen to export three horses. [*Ibid.*]

[June 18]. 10. Charles Prince of Wales to Pope Gregory XV. Hopes to imitate his glorious ancestors, who ventured their lives for the cross of Christ. Will do his utmost to banish hatred and dissentions from the Christian world. Has no designs against the Catholic religion, and hopes that as all acknowledge God, and Christ crucified, all may profess the same faith. Thanks for his Holiness's letter. [*Translated from the Latin. See Dom. Corresp., Aug.* 30.]

[June 18.] Copy of the above. [*Dom. Corresp., April* 10, 1623.]

June 18. Another translation of the Prince's letter, differing from the preceding. [*Ibid.*]

[June 18.] 11. French translation of the Prince's letter.

June 19. Arundel House. 12. Certificate, by Earl Marshal Arundel, that John Corbet, of Sprowston, Norfolk, is "a gentleman of three discents, and therefore in that respect capable of the degree of a Baronet."

June 20. 13. Commissioners of Sewers in Essex to the Archbp. of Canterbury and others. Are unable to mediate in the business of [draining] the levels of Havering and Dagenham, and find Mr. Vermuyden's demands unreasonable, the loss and misery of the landowners great, and the levels in a dangerous state.

June 20. [Wanstead.] 14. [Sec. Conway] to James Bagg, jun., Vice Admiral of Cornwall. Applauds his diligence in providing a bark of fresh victuals to attend the fleet to Spain; it is stayed in the Downs, but will have order to come to Plymouth. Minute.

June 20. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

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June 20. Wanstead. 15. [Sec. Conway] to [Jas. Bagg, sen.], Deputy Mayor of Plymouth. Thanks for his care of the letter addressed to the Earl of Rutland, which he is to return, the directions having been forwarded to the Earl another way. Minute. Indorsed with note of information by Thos. Pelham, of Much Hadham, co. Herts, relative to Field.

June 20. Abstract of the above minute. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June? 16. Information of Thos. Pelham. Wrote to warn Mr. Lasenby that Field would betray to the King that many of the deer stolen by him were eaten at Lasenby's house. Warned Mr. Oliver also that he was in danger of being accused by Field. Heard Field say that he knew of the killing of the Denmark stag; that many wanted him to run away, and that unless he were well paid, he would tell all he knew.

June 20. [Wanstead.] 17. Sec. Conway to the Bp. of Coventry and Lichfield. The King graciously accepts the horse sent, on behalf of the Prince, and promises to have it fittingly delivered to him; it is now sent to M. St. Antoine.

June 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. Wanstead. 18. [The Same] to Sir Geo. Fane, High Sheriff, and Sir Dud. Diggs, Sir Nich. Tufton, and Sir Edw. Hales, Deputy Lieutenants of Kent. Sir Lewis Lewkenor has well reported of their respectful and honourable reception of the Spanish Ambassador; the King commends and thanks them, and the gentlemen who accompanied them, for their zeal and readiness, and will take care to remember it to their advantage.

June 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. [Wanstead.] 19. [The Same] to the Mayor of Canterbury. The King gives them thanks for their honourable entertainment of the Spanish Ambassador.

June 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. [Wanstead.] 20. [The Same] to Dodson, a Bricklayer. The King remembers that he has received 60*l.*, and authorizes him to receive 60*l.* more, and then to proceed effectually with the work at Theobalds. Minute.

June 20. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. Wanstead. 21. [The Same] to the Lord Keeper. To attend to a Commission [of Sewers] long since issued, for levelling the low grounds about Waltham. Sends names of the Commissioners to be appointed.

June 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. Wanstead. 22. [The Same] to Sir John Eliot. To apprehend Nutt, the pirate, and his accomplices, without regarding any pardon, and send up Nutt to the Council; and to seize and carefully keep his ship and goods, said to be very rich, and also all goods brought by him on shore. Minute.

June 20. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. [Wanstead.] 23. [The Same] to Capt. Best. The King having chosen his vessel, the Garland, with the Bonaventure, for freeing the havens of

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Scotland, he is to go as Admiral, and hasten the voyage, the Navy Commissioners being ordered to victual the ship instantly.

June 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. [Wanstead.] 24. [Sec. Conway] to the Earl of Rutland. The King has appointed the Bonaventure, under Sir Wm. St. Leger, and the Garland, under Capt. Best, to go on service to Scotland; the latter is to be Admiral. The Bonaventure is then to return for the Spanish voyage. If Sir Wm. St. Leger decline to go on these conditions, Capt. Christian is to take his place. Visct. Rochford has returned from Spain, and requests leave to visit his wife and family. Minute.

June 20. Abstract of the above. [*Conway's Lett Bk., p.* 54.]

June 20. Wanstead. 25. [The Same] to the Navy Commissioners. Sends instructions for the Scottish expedition. The King approves the selection of the Garland and Bonaventure, and if Sir Wm. St. Leger refuse to go as second, Capt. Christian is to be appointed instead. Meanwhile the victuals are to be put on board, so that there shall be no delay.

June 20. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 55.]

June 20. Wanstead. 26. [The Same] to the Navy Commissioners. Requests their speedy opinion on the demands of the Earl of Rutland, sent by Sir Hen. Mainwaring, of things which he needs; the business does not admit of any delay. *Incloses,*

26. 1. *Requests made by the Earl of Rutland concerning the removal of the fleet westward, the punishment of runaway sailors, and the procuring of requisites specified for the fleet. June* 8.

June 20. Wanstead. Minute of the above letter of Sec. Conway. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 56.]

June 21. 27. Commissioners of the Navy to Sec. Conway. Will order Capt. Christian to be ready, on receipt of the Earl of Rutland's answer whether Sir Wm. St. Leger will go. The Garland will soon be fit to sail. Answer to certain demands of the Earl of Rutland for fresh supplies, &c. Think there has been great waste, both of powder and shot, and provisions, or else fresh supplies would not be needed. The ships should be victualled from shore, whilst lying off the coast, to make the stores last longer, &c.

June 21. Wanstead. 28. [Sec. Conway] to the Earl of Rutland. The fleet is to remove to the fittest road in the Isle of Wight, and be ready to sail on direction sent. The King understands that there is some interruption to public religious service, by relieving watch, &c., and wishes him to avoid disputes on points of conscience, to be careful that the worship be undisturbed, and severely to punish all who refuse reformation.

June 21. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 56.]

June 21. Prince Royal, in the Downs. 29. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. Sir W. St. Leger declines the voyage to Scotland, unless the King absolutely commands it. Desires leave to come up to London, as soon as the Bonaventure is despatched.

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June 21. The Prince. 30. Sir W. St. Leger to Sec. Conway. Begs that his person and ship may be excused the journey to Scotland. Is not yet freed from his oath to the States General, against whom the expedition is sent, and is loath to go under the command of Capt. Best. His ship is the most unfit in the fleet, being weak in men and ordnance.

June 21. [Wanstead.] 31. [Sec. Conway] to Mr. Hampson. Requests to have notice, should he ever be disposed to assign or sell his interest in Hawton manor, and other lands of Sir Fras. Leek.

[June 21.] 32. Draft of the above. Imperfect.

June 21. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 56.]

June 21. Barbican. 33. Lord Zouch to Sir Edw. Conway. Requests his furtherance in procuring for John Philpott the office of Bailiff of Sandwich, on surrender of Thos. Mills.

June 21. Dover. 34. Thos. Benson to [Nicholas]. To procure him a respite from the cruelty of his creditor, Mr. Fawsett, until Michaelmas, that he may be able to get in moneys owing to him, and then discharge his debts.

June 21. Dover. 35. The Same to Lord Zouch. Unless the south head of the pier be defended with piles and stones, winter may do harm which 500*l.* will not replace. Many persons at Canterbury declared themselves Papists on the Ambassador's being there, and one of them, Broome, drank a health to the confusion of all Protestants; notice is taken of it. Begs protection from his creditor.

June 21. Court at Wanstead. 36. Earl of Carlisle to Carleton. Will not fail to do him any service in his power, though one of his own dearest friends is a competitor for this vacant preferment.

June 21. 37. Petition of Lewis Pollard to the Lord Keeper, for an injunction to stay proceedings against him in the Court of Requests, on a suit about certain lands in which the verdict was given in his favour in Chancery, it being illegal and dangerous that decrees in Chancery should be questioned by another Court. With order thereon, that the petitioner should apply to the King by a Secretary or Master of Requests.

June 21. Grant to the Earl of Essex of licence to travel for three years. [*Docquet.*]

June 21. Like grant to Sir Charles Rich. [*Docquet.*]

June 22. Wanstead. 38. Warrant to pay to Lewis Richard, servant of the late Queen Consort, 800*l.*, for the musical education and diet, for eight years, of two French children, brought up by her command.

June 22. The Downs. 39. Capt. Thos. Best to Sec. Conway. Has given an account of his proceedings to the Commissioners of the Navy, and Sec. Calvert; understands he is to be employed for Scotland; will endeavour to do the duty of an honest servant.

June 22. Dover. 40. Fras. Willisford to Nicholas. Saluted the Spanish Ambassador with shot from the Castle, on order from Sec. Calvert, but had refused

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to do it on Sir Lewis Lewkenor's request only. Hopes Lord Zouch will not be displeased at the quantity of powder and shot expended, there being a time to spend as well as to spare. The Ambassador gave thanks by a nod from his coach as he passed, but, Spaniard like, gave not a penny of money; he is very frugal in his expenses. Lords Vaughan and Rochford, who have returned, report scarcity in Spain, and that the Prince earnestly wishes for the fleet. Mr. Gage has brought the King rich cloths of gold from the Duke of Savoy.

June 23. Dover. 41. Wm. Leonard to Nicholas. Has received an anchor and half a cable from Rye, and put it in his Lordship's storehouse; 200 Frenchmen, intended for Count Mansfeldt's army, are said to be lost at sea. Great warlike preparations going on at the Hague.

June 23. 42. Robt. Fulnetby to the Same. Is willing to refer to Mr. Alington's mediation his dispute with Withers, who has falsely accused him, antedated deeds and writings, &c., and refuses to be "tried by the touch," trusting to his friends and great purse.

June 23. 43. Edw. Harewell and Clement Turner to [Sec. Conway]. Sir Hen. Clere, Bart., of Suffolk, has died lately without heirs male, so that his honours are at the King's disposal. Indorsed, "Mr. Corbet." [*See June* 26.]

June 23. Wanstead. 44. [Sec. Conway] to the Council of the Prince. Wm. Stannard paid 250*l.* to the late Queen Anne, for a lease of the pens and stalls of Rumford Market, and has spent much time and labour thereon, which is all lost by the strength of the opposition to him. The lease being now called in question, he requests either confirmation in it, or compensation for it.

June 23. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 56.]

June 23. Wanstead. 45. [The Same] to the Navy Commissioners. The Earl of Rutland is permitted to come up to London on business. Sir Wm. St. Leger begs that both his person and ship may be excused the voyage to Scotland. The King wishes to know if any other ship could go; if not, Sir William must resign the command of the Bonaventure to Capt. Christian. They are to expedite a reply, the King thinking every hour twenty till the ships are gone. Asks who should take charge of the fleet during the absence of the Earl of Rutland, and the Lords. His Majesty approves their judgment on the provisions for the fleet.

June 23. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 56.]

June 23. 46. Commissioners of the Navy to Sec. Conway. Chose the Bonaventure for the Scotch service, because its build is suitable, and it carries less draught of water. Send the names of the ships, Commanders, and Captains, of the fleet going to Spain. Hesitate to recommend a commander during the absence of the Lords, not sufficiently knowing the parties.

June 24. [Greenwich.] 47. [Sec. Conway] to Sir Wm. St. Leger. As the Navy Commissioners can think of no other ship so fitting for the Scottish voyage as the Bonaventure, he is to deliver it up to Capt. Christian, without

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delay or dispute. Indorsed, with a letter erased to the same, giving him the choice either to go with his ship to Scotland under Capt. Best, or to give it up at once to Capt. Christian, as the King will be much offended with any further dispute.

June 24. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett Bk., p.* 57.]

June 24. [Greenwich.] 48. [Sec. Conway] to the Earl of Rutland. The King much hastens the sending of the ships to Scotland, and desires that the Bonaventure may be delivered without delay to Capt. Christian. Indorsed, with a draft of another letter erased.

June 24. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 57.]

June 24. [Greenwich.] 49. [The Same] to Capt. Christian. The King has chosen him to take charge of the Bonaventure, which is to go to Scotland, with the Garland, under Capt. Best as Admiral, as Sir Wm. St. Leger cannot go himself; he is to be careful of Sir William's goods left in in the ship.

June 24. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 57.]

June 24. [Greenwich.] 50. [The Same] to Rutland. The King permits his Lordship's return to London, when the ships are gone to Scotland and the fleet to the Isle of Wight; but as Lords Morley and Windsor also wish to come, he is to be careful for the governance of the fleet in their absence, and to order the Captains to assemble in Council, in case of any action of offence or defence.

June 24. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 57.]

June 24. [Greenwich.] 51. [The Same] to the Lord Mayor, &c. of London. The King recommends Mr. Jukes, much hurt in the wars, to the next vacant place of Coal Meter of London, and will thankfully accept their compliance therein.

June 24. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 57.]

June 24. Greenwich. The Same to the Attorney General. To draw a grant of concealed lands for Sir D. Carleton. [*Minute, Ibid.*]

June 24. 52. Sir Wm. Beecher to the Council. Gives particulars of the cases in which, contrary to the Orders in Council of Feb. 7, 1621, Sir Wm. Clavell, by his agents, John Worrall and others, has seduced the workmen from Sir Robt. Mansell's glassworks to the glassworks in Scotland. Clavell alleges that Lady Mansell tampers with his workpeople, but she replies that it is only with such as formerly served her husband.

June 25. Grant to Ambrose Perkins of an almsroom in Rochester. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Grant to Dr. Theodore Price, King's [Chaplain], of a Prebend in Westminster, void by resignation of Hugh Goodman. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Grant, in reversion, to John Wilson [Chaplain in Ordinary?] of a [Prebend?] in Westminster. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Warrant for discharge to the [Treasurer and] Under Treasurer of the Exchequer of 300*l.*, already advanced, and for payment of 200*l.*

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more, and of other sums necessary, to Simon Harvey, for the expenses of the Marquis of [St. Germa]in, Ambassador Extraordinary from the King of Spain. Damaged. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Warrant to pay to Thos. Potts, Master of the Hunt to the Prince, 300*l.*, in full satisfaction for a present of hunting horses and hounds provided by him, and sent from His Majesty to the French King. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Warrant dormant to pay to John Cow[tred, tailor] for the Robes, certain sums for attendance during the life of John New, on whose decease he is to have the same allowances as New now has. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Grant to Dr. John Gostlin, for life, of the office of Reader of the Physic Lecture at Cambridge, with the fee of 40*l.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. Erection of an office of King's Attorney in the New Forest, Hampshire, for better despatch of business in the courts and sessions there, and grant thereof to Thos. South during pleasure. [*Docquet.*]

June 25. 53. The Council to the Warden and Assistants of the Trinity House, Deptford Strond. Many Dutch-built ships have been furnished with iron ordnance, on pretence of their belonging to Englishmen or denizens. This is not to be allowed in future, without special warrant from the Council.

June 25. Greenwich. 54. Petition of Thos. Needham to the King, for protection for three years from the creditors of the late Sir Thos. Jermy, for whom he became surety, having no present means to satisfy them. With reference thereon.

[June 25.] 55. Petition of Rich. Holworthy, of Bristol, merchant, to the Council, for restoration of calf skins and Irish tallow, captured from a ship of his by Capt. Nutt, an English pirate, carried into Dartmouth, and delivered up to Sir John Eliot, Vice Admiral.

June 25 ? 56. Statement by the owners of a ship not named, that she was taken by Nutt the pirate on June 4, and carried into Torbay; that the Vice Admiral [Sir John Eliot] went on board Nutt's ship, and had a close conference with him for two hours, and offered him pardon; that the Vice Admiral boarded their ship, and hoisted out fourteen chests of sugar in presence of Nutt, who, on his departure, sent all the crew to shore, with nothing but their clothes, and carried the ship into Dartmouth, where the Vice Admiral made a prize of her.

[June 25]. 57. Petition of John Eldred and others to Council, for restoration of their ship, the Edward and John, taken by Capt. Nutt on June 4, brought into Dartmouth, and sequestered by the Vice Admiral, the Admiralty Court having given sentence on their behalf, on proof of their ownership.

June 25. Plymouth. 58. Sir John Eliot to Sec. Conway. Thanks for the favour of kissing the King's hand, whengiving an account of Nutt the pirate. Has sent him up by order of Council, taken his men into custody, secured his ship, and is trying to secure as many of his goods as possible.

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June 25. St. Martin's Lane. 59. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. Sends for signature a letter from the King to the Elector Palatine, of which Don Carlos de Colonna, the Spanish Ambassador, requests a copy.

June 25. St. Martin's Lane. 60. The Same to the Same. The Ambassadors desire postponement of the conference with the Commissioners, until Mr. Killigrew brings them further instructions from Spain; therefore the Lord Steward and other Commissioners now at Court need not return on that account.

June 25, St. Martin's Lane. 61. The Same to the Same. The Spanish Ambassador, Don Carlos, begs the King will order Capt. Best to repair to Aberdeen, to release the ship of Dunkirk blockaded there by the Hollanders, to call at Leith to take in the ordnance, &c. of the ship burnt there, and then to convoy the vessel to Dunkirk or Margate. He requests letters of assistance from the King, and from the Lord Steward, as Admiral of Scotland.

June 25. [Greenwich.] 62. [Sec. Conway] to Capt. Best. On notice of the burning of the ship in Leith harbour, order was given that all provisions and artillery that escaped the fire should be conveyed to the other ship at Aberdeen. If, for want of convoy, any part still remains at Leith, he is to assist in disposing of them as desired by those that have charge of them from the Spanish Ambassador. With note of a letter to Calvert on the same business.

June 25. Minute of the above letters. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 57.]

June 25. [Greenwich.] 63. [The Same] to Sec. Calvert. The King sees by Calvert's letter that there was a misunderstanding. Hopes he has despatched the affairs given him in charge, and that the Virginia business will be attended to. Is preparing letters for Spain.

June 25. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 58.]

June 25. 64. Earl of Middlesex, Master of the Wards, to Lord Zouch. Requests him to prepare an answer to a bill exhibited against him in the Court of Wards by Wm. Lane.

June 26. Grant to Thos. Ferres of pardon for marrying Anne Thackery, his present wife, who was daughter to his former wife's sister. [*Docquet.*]

June 26. Presentation of Mich. Glyd to the rectory of Buxted, with the chapel of Uckfield, co. Sussex, [*Docquet.*]

June 26. Inner Temple. 65. The Attorney General to Sec. Conway. Has drawn up the bill as ordered, creating Mr. Corbet a Baronet, but wishes the King to be reminded that he not only limited the number of Baronets to 200, but promised that vacancies by death, without heirs male, should not be filled up by fresh creations. The bearer says that the King will pay the money on this creation, but has not drawn up a discharge, having no warrant far it.

June 26. Greenwich. Sec. Conway to the Lord President of York. Requests that Chris. Levett may be assisted by the gentlemen of the county, in a work he has in hand for advancement of the plantation in New England. [*Minute, Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 52.]

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June 26. Greenwich. 66. [Sec. Conway] to the Lord Treasurer. Sir Wm. Throgmorton, cousin to his first wife, wishes to prefer a modest petition to the King, but, as it concerns a matter of revenue, has agreed with him not to do so without first seeking his Lordship's approbation. Begs his favour therein.

June 26. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 58.]

June 26 ? 67. Sir Wm. Throgmorton to Sec. Conway. Explains the grounds on which his lawyer has inserted the names of Sir Horace and Lady Vere in a certain bill, which was never expected to be needed. Requests favour in his suit to the Lord Treasurer, who seems to prefer a grant of trees to one of money; is willing that the farmers of the ironworks should have the trees, if they will pay him the money. *Annexes,*

67. I. *Statement that Sir Wm. Throgmorton, having done much service in preserving woods in Dean Forest, and thereby weakened his own estate, so as to endanger himself and his sureties, requests that he and they may be spared from arrest, till after Candlemas Term next.*

June 26. Greenwich. 68. Sec. Conway to Sec. Calvert. The King misses certain clauses mentioned, which have been omitted in the letter to his son-in-law, and are to be inserted.

June 26. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 58.]

June 26. St. Martin's Lane. 69. Sec. Calvert to Sec. Conway. The Spanish Ambassador desires copies of the King's letters to Scotland, and of that to the Prince Palatine, which is sent amended as His Majesty desired.

June 26. [Greenwich.] 70. [Sec. Conway] to Capt. Best. His business is to convey a ship of Ostend or Dunkirk to its own port; there would have been another ship, but it is rudely burnt. The Admiral [of Scotland] gives to the proprietors all belonging to the burnt ship, which is to be carried to the other ship, and then that convoyed to Ostend or Dunkirk, or else to Margate or the Downs.

June 26. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 59.]

June 27. Greenwich. The Same to Sec. Calvert. His letter to Capt. Best will be in time. Sends a copy of the King's letter to the Prince Palatine, and of the answers to his propositions, which he is to impart to the Spanish Ambassador. [*Minute, Ibid., p.* 58.]

June 27. Greenwich. 71. The Same to the Attorney General. The King wishes his advice on the enclosed letter [from the Earl of Oxford], saying that if the Earl of Oxford's concience tells him the charges against him are true, he had better give satisfaction and get favour; if false, his Majesty will not be displeased with his denying them, if he do it expeditiously. This answer is to be conveyed to him by the Lieutenant of the Tower, or otherwise. *Incloses,*

71. I. *Earl of Oxford to the King. Was persuaded, by His Majesty's gracious answer to his last petition, that he*

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would be an object of mercy, and not brought to trial, and therefore sent no answer to the Attorney General's information in the Star Chamber, and is now suddenly ordered to send it in to-morrow. Never doubted the King's justice in exhibiting the bill, but wished to know when His Majesty would have him answer it, lest a legal contest might lessen the fulness of royal grace. His long imprisonment fits him for a creature of mercy. Tower, June 20.

June 27. 72, 73. Two copies of the preceding letter of Conway.

June 27. Minute of the Same. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 58.]

June 27 74. Earl of Oxford to [the Council]. Has petitioned the King for time to answer the information against him, hoping to obtain grace, and his Majesty inclines to be satisfied with his punishment of imprisonment. Acknowledges that there must be information and proofs that would ruin him, or a person of his rank would not be called on to answer points of so malignant a nature, and therefore will esteem it a singular favour if the King will decide the case and spare him a public trial. Will never after boast that he could have defended himself. Cannot remember any undutiful or mean thought of His Majesty.

June 27. Greenwich. 75. [Sec. Conway] to the Attorney General. Asks his opinion on the convenience and legality of a petition of Sir Carew Raleigh, which he wishes to be presented. The proposition seems advantageous to the King, if the conditions can be performed, and if there are no difficulties to hinder it; will be guided by his opinion whether to present the petition to His Majesty.

June 27. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 58.]

June 27. Philpott Lane. 76. Sir Thos. Smythe to Sec. Conway. Capt. Christian is gone down to the Bonaventure, and will sail with the first wind.

June 27. Norwich. 77. Mayor, &c. of Norwich to the Council. Fear that the granting of the petition from the Mayor and Corporation of Lynn Regis, to establish the stocking and stuff manufacturers in their town, would greatly injure the city of Norwich, the poor of which are already numerous and tending to mutiny. Norwich has no resource but manufactures, whereas Lynn has seafaring and culture of the ground.

June 28. Brompton Castle. 78. Sir Thos. Harley to Sec. Conway. Will add to the settlement agreed on for his son, who is to marry Conway's daughter, the demesnes and parks of Brompton and Buckton, with reservations of diet and lodging for himself. Hopes therefore the portion may be paid earlier, as his son is in debt.

June 28. Greenwich. 79. The King to the Governors of the Charter House. To admit Robt. Bickerton on the first vacancy, his father being a servant of

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the Prince, and he an ingenious youth, whose education will otherwise have to be given up, on account of his parents' inability to continue it.

June 28. London. 80. Chamberlain to Carleton. In spite of posting to and fro to Spain, nothing is done. Lord Bristol is blamed, and also Mr. Porter, who persuaded the Prince's journey. All wish for him back again; there is danger to his religion in delay. The Pope has written to him, and the English seminaries in Spain nibble at him with orations. Marquis Inijosa begs leave to defray himself, and to lodge at Ely House, where the chapel serves for the English retainers, who begin to talk of toleration. The fleet is still in the Downs, and costs 300*l.* a day. Devices are talked of to supply these expenses, as knighting 1,000 gentlemen, at 100*l.* a piece. Ten or twelve Serjeants-at-law are to be made, at 500*l.* a piece, but their moneys are allotted to the Lord Keeper, or to Sir Fras. Crane, to further his tapestry works, and pay off some scores owed him by Buckingham. The Recorder is to be one of the serjeants, and is knighted, and his mother made Viscountess Maidstone, for exchanging her fair house at Copthall, Essex, with the Duke and Duchess of Richmond, for Cobham, in Kent. Gold and silver thread making is set up again, under a new corporation.

June 28. Greenwich. 81. Sec. Conway to the Bp. of Coventry and Lichfield. Dr. Balconquall requests for his brother John the first vacant prebend in Lichfield Cathedral, the King's recommendation of him for a [Canon] Residentiary being of no avail, by the local statutes of the church, until he has a prebend.

June 28. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 59.]

June 28. Plymouth. 82. Capt. Jas. Bagg, jun., to Sec. Conway. The stay of the fleet gives rise to various reports. Would be glad to know whether it will touch at Plymouth.

June 28. Plymouth. 83. The Same to John Coke. Offers his service in providing food for the ships, if they call. Wishes to know how long they remain in the Downs. Has some baked meats for the Duke, which will spoil if not sent soon, and the Earl of Rutland's fresh victuals are ready.

June 28. Prince Royal, in the Downs. 84. Earl of Rutland to Sec. Conway. No interruption has been given to inferior officers, &c., in prayer and psalm singing, nor have any disputes on religion arisen, as reported. Intends to make for Stoke's road, near Plymouth, as being a convenient harbour. As Lord Morley comes up to London with him, will leave the navy under the command of Rear Admiral Lord Windsor, to act with a council of captains. Sir Wm. St. Leger has delivered the Bonaventure to Capt. Christian. *Incloses,*

84. I. *Certificate of the Captains and Masters of the ships under the command of the Earl of Rutland, that there have been no disputes amongst them concerning religion, but the Church prayers used without interruption. June* 27.

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June 29. Greenwich. 85. [Sec. Conway] to the Earl of Rutland. The King is satisfied with his Lordship's government of the fleet, and that the rumour was false, and relies on him for future good order. He is also glad of the despatch of the ships for Scotland. His Lordship's "blessed and gracious daughter" desires much to see him. Mr. Killigrew is hourly expected.

June 29. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 59.]

June 29. Greenwich. 86. [The Same] to the Lord Treasurer. The King thinks that the pension bought by his servant, Sir And. Boyd, from the Lord Privy Seal, should still be continued, as one which His Majesty particularly desires to be paid.

June 29. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 59.]

June 29. Greenwich. 87. [The Same] to Lord Chichester. Asks his judgment on a suit which his kinsman, Sir John Worsley, wishes to present, being anxious to serve him, but reluctant to do anything burthensome to the people, or trenching on the King's honour.

June 29. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 59.]

June 30. [Greenwich.] 88. [The Same] to Sec. Calvert. The Spanish Ambassadors are to be shown the letter and articles to the Prince Palatine, to be told the favour intended for them in the Admiralty business, and to be asked the reason of Killigrew's delay, and the non-arrival of any other messenger. The King wishes the Council to sit daily on the Virginia business, till it is concluded; he complains that by the frequent absences of notable councillors, they lose dignity, and business is hindered; presses for reformation therein. The merchants are to be told of grievous complaints by the Spanish Ambassador, of depredations by them committed at Ormus.

June 30. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 59.]

June 30. [Greenwich.] 89. [The Same] to Sir Fras. Leek. Applauds the good parts of Sir Francis's son, his own kinsman, and wishes to serve him; the disordered condition of the estates is likely to injure him. Offers help in the suits pending thereon.

June 30. Minute of the above. [*Conway's Lett. Bk., p.* 59.]

June 30. London. 90. Lady Carleton to Sir D. Carleton. Went, by appointment, to Court, but the King only kissed her to stop her mouth, lest she should mention the 2,000*l.* debt, and his daughter, and gave her no opportunity to speak to him. Is much courted, and has many friends. Private business. Dines with Lord Chichester, who hopes to see Carleton shortly.

June 30. 91. Bond of Romano Gutieres, in 70*l.*, to indemnify Lord Zouch for delivery of the money received for the sale of corn taken from the ship Hunter, stayed on suspicion of piracy.

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June 30. Grant to Hen. Garway and John Wolstenholme of the benefit of a bond of 10,000*l.*, entered into by Sir Fras. Jones to the King; granted for relief of the Farmers of the Customs, to whom Sir Francis, formerly their partner, became much indebted. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Warrant to Chas. Barrett, the King's servant, for three years, to recover marsh lands left by the sea in cos. Devon, Somerset, Lincoln, and Cambridge, by him discovered to belong to the King, of which, after composition with the pretended owners, and fencing and maintaining them from the sea, two thirds are granted to him in fee farm at 2*d.* an acre, and the remaining third devolves on his Majesty. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Grant to the Mayor and Burgesses of Estlowe [Helstone?], Cornwall, of confirmation of their former liberties, with grant of fresh privileges specified. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Grant to Edw. Barnes and John Hull, his surety, of protection for a year, on expiration of a former protection. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Grant to John Rathborne, John Charsley, and others, for twenty-one years, of the sole benefit of two engines, by them invented, for bolting and dressing meal, on payment of a rent of 5*l.* per ann. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Letter to the Lord President and Council of Wales, to admit thirteen persons, not named, to be added to the Council established there. [*Docquet.*]

June 30. Dover. 92. Thos. Benson to Lord Zouch. Will bargain as well as he can for carriage of his Lordship's goods. The Mayor has sent a present of wine. The new Custom House is begun. A servant of the Prince has arrived, and says his master is coming home.

June ? 93. Sir Edw. Zouch to the Same. Thanks for his many favours. Has envious enemies, who endeavour to abate his Lordship's affection for him; especially Lady Zouch, who wishes not only to have her own jointure, but the share of others also, and thus proves his great enemy.

June. 94. Sir Hen. Marten to the [Navy Commissioners?]. The Bailiffs of Yarmouth, pretending Admiralty jurisdiction there, refused to execute the order of the Admiralty Court, to stay, at suit of the Spanish Ambassador, a vessel laden with salt, brought into Yarmouth by Scottishmen, and supposed to be piratically taken from the Spaniards; but that accusation being unproved, and the goods spoiling, requests an order for their restitution to the parties who brought them in.

June. Madrid. 95. Duke of Buckingham to the Same. To send to St. Sebastian's a ship that can convey home thirty or thirty-five horses, presented to the Prince at the Spanish Court.

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„ 248, No. 97, *for* the Bp. of London, *read* Winchester.
„ 278, No. 42, *for* Surveyor, *read* Treasurer.
„ 283, No. 71, *for* Rich., *read* Robt.
„ 294, No. 153, *for* Barnstable, *read* Barnstaple.
„ 315, No. 134, *dele* [of Lord Chief Baron Denham].
„ 327, No. 85, *for* St. Jerusalem at Golgotha, *read* St. Golgotha at Jerusalem.
„ 346, No. 102, *for* Lord Doncaster has returned, *read* when Lord Doncaster returns, and *dele* and, in the next line.
„ 356, No. 41, *for* his daughter, Lady Mary Hay, *read* his late daughter, Lady Hay.
„ 364, Entry 3 from bottom, *for* Privy Seal, *read* Privy Purse.
„ 424, No. 38, *for* Mary Chichester, *read* Mrs.
„ „ „ *for* Earl Lenox, *read* Sussex.
„ 450, No. 26, *for* Exeter, *read* Exeter College.
„ 455, No. 53, *dele* the whole entry.
„ 457, Line 8, *for* Vidam *read* Vidom.
„ 473, No. 10, *for* Burghley, *read* Burleigh.
„ „ No. 14, *for* the Same, *read* the King.
„ 475, No. 28, *dele* the whole entry.
„ 497, Entry 3, *for* the King, *read* Mr. King.
„ 507, No. 14, *for* Sir Robt. Carey, *read* Lord Carey.
„ 540, No. 42, *for* Thos., *read* Theo.
„ 558, No. 2, *for* John, *read* Thos.
„ 565, No. 42, *for* Surveyor of Victuals, *read* Cofferer of the Household.

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